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Dunera Leaving Today

A number of Army officers, on release and leave, and about 100 other ranks will leave today for the United Kingdom in the troopship, Dunera.

The 100 other ranks are National Servicemen on release. Two officers are proceeding on leave and 11 on release.

Among the other passengers will be Colonel Best, Chief Engineer, Headquarters, Land Forces, Hong Kong, who has been given a new appointment.

A number of other officers are leaving on leave.

Among the RAF personnel leaving today are Group Captain J.N. Jefferson and Mrs. Jefferson. Group Captain Jefferson has completed his tour of duty in the Colony.

OFFICIAL NOTICES, APPOINTMENTS

Dr. James Cook has been appointed to be Surgical Specialist with effect from June 3. He arrived in the Colony on July 4.

Mr. Watt Hui-kee has been appointed to be a Master, Education Department, with effect from May 1.

Cancellation of the Memorial of Re-entry on Stanley Inland Lot No. 8 has been registered.

At the end of three months beginning last Tuesday, the International Investments, Limited, will, unless care is shown to the contrary, be struck off the Companies Register and the company will be dissolved.

The name of Dr. Peter Hin-tak Pok has been added to the Register of Medical and Surgical Practitioners.

COUPLE ROBBED BY ARMED MEN

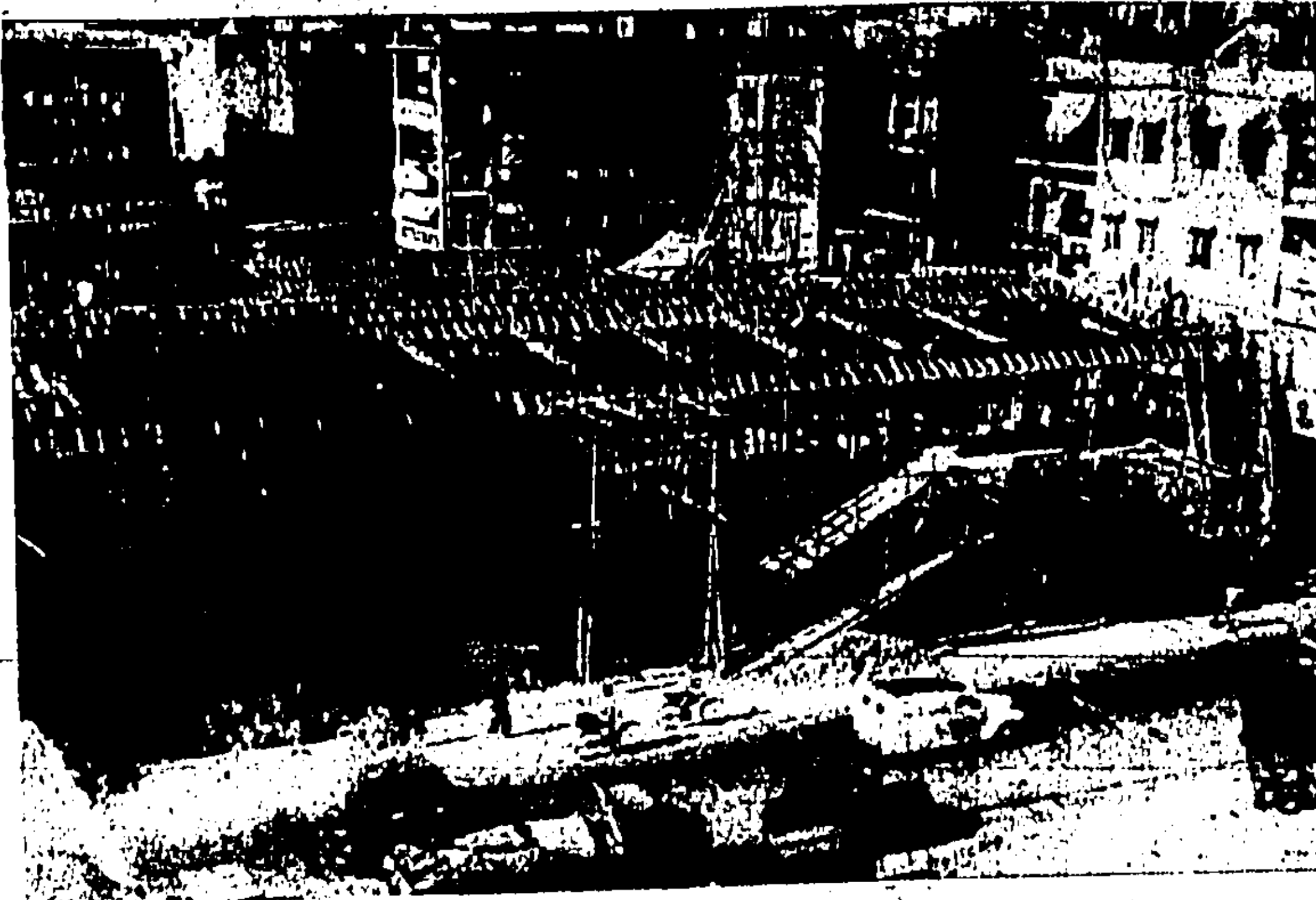
A Chinese courting couple were held up in Broadwood Road, near the Catholic Church, at about 9.30 last night by two men, one of whom was armed with a revolver.

After taking from the victims two rings, a wallet containing HK\$50, a Parker 51 fountain pen, and the lady's wrist-watch, the robbers decamped.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Mr. & Mrs. P. P. S. Castro and family thanks all friends and relatives for their kind attendance at the funeral of their son Anthony Maria and also for their condolences.

School For Workers' Children



Under construction on Hennessy Road, Wanchai, the second Government School for Workers' Children will be ready in September. The double-storey structure, will have accommodation for 1,000 students. The other school is at Hung Hom, Kowloon. ("Francis Wu" Studio).

Government Schools For Workers' Children

Work on two new Government schools for children of the Colony's workers is expected to be completed in time for the opening of the school term in September, the "Sunday Herald" learned yesterday.

The school at Hung Hom will be called the Kowloon Docks Memorial School.

This is in recognition of the financial assistance towards its construction given by the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Company, Limited.

The second school is being constructed on Hennessy Road, Wanchai. No decision has yet been reached on its name.

Both schools will accommodate 1,000 pupils each—500 in each of two sessions.

A large assembly hall and gymnasium fully equipped with stage, changing rooms and suitable lighting, will be one of the features of the new school at Hung Hom between Gillies Avenue and Ma Tau Wei Road.

It will be a single storey building. Accommodation will comprise 12 classrooms, each of 600 square feet, well-lit and ventilated; a classroom for practical work of 900 sq. feet with laboratory benches and demonstration desk; hall and gymnasium of 2,300 square feet with stage and changing rooms with showers; adjoining: staff rooms; inventories; stores and servants' quarters. All classrooms will be fitted with fans and electric radiators.

A portion of the site will be used as a playing field, and there will be in addition two playgrounds fitted with flood-lighting for use at night.

The second Workers' School, in Hennessy Road, will open also in September and will also provide for 1,000 pupils. Because the site is more restricted this school will be a double-storey structure.

Classrooms will be well-lit, and cross ventilation on the first floor has been obtained by the use of clerestory windows above the corridor.

The building has been set back slightly behind the general building line in order that ground floor windows can be left open without inconvenience to pedestrians using the adjoining pavement.

ATTEMPT TO EVADE ARREST

In an attempt to evade arrest, a 30-year old Chinese man, Ng Ki, fell from the roof of No. 210, Third Street, and was taken to hospital with an injured head.

Ng was among a party at an opium den on the roof top when the police raided the place.

BOY HURT IN FALL FROM PONY

Wong Lin-ha, a trainer's boy at the Hong Kong Jockey Club, was taken to Queen Mary Hospital early yesterday morning suffering from several fractured ribs as the result of a fall from a pony he was riding.

It was reported that the pony suddenly took fright as it neared the Members' Stand, and threw its rider.

WOMAN JUMPS INTO HARBOUR

A Chinese woman, aged about 30, jumped into the harbour off Ping Shan Wharf at about 2.30 p.m. yesterday afternoon, but the prompt action of a seaman of a fire boat nearby saved her from drowning.

She was taken to hospital suffering from immersion and her condition was reported to be fair last night.

New Chinese Ambassador To Korea Leaves

Dr. Shao Yu-lin, former adviser to the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs, left by PAA plane yesterday for Korea—via Manila—to take up his new post as Chinese Ambassador in that country.

The immediate re-establishment of the Chinese Embassy in Korea indicates a further step towards the development of the Pacific Pact first given active consideration at the surprise Chiang-Quirino talk in Manila last week.

This is the first time that a Chinese diplomat of ambassadorial rank is operating in Korea since the cessation of Sino-Korean relationship years ago.

Interviewed by the Press before his departure, Dr. Shao declined to comment upon his mission. It was learned, however, that Dr. Shao was taking with him messages from both Chiang Kai-shek and Acting President Li Tsung-shan to Dr. Syngman Rhee, President of the Korean Republic. He confirmed also, that an invitation had been sent by Dr. Rhee to Chiang and President Quirino of the Philippines to visit Korea soon.

The contents of the message which Dr. Shao is taking to Dr. Rhee could not be ascertained, however.

The New Chinese Ambassador to Korea side-stepped all questions pertaining to the Pacific Pact adding shortly that "Dr. Wu Te-chen only could answer them."

Dr. Wu, it was reported recently, will soon be making a trip to Japan to present the Pact plan to General Douglas MacArthur.

Local sources close to the authorities were equally chary of pronouncing upon subsequent developments of the Pacific Pact. They intimated, however, that Dr. Shao's job in Korea points to a next important step about to be taken to put the Pact into the international discussion stage.

No one also could answer the question as to where the Pact talks and final materialization of it—when it comes about—would take place. Some however opined that the most central part would be in Seoul, in South Korea while others still, believe that Manila would be the venue of

HK Residents Honoured By The King

Seven local residents, associated with the St. John Ambulance Brigade, have been honoured by the King.

As Sovereign Head of the Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem, the King has made the Promotions and Admissions to that Order.

Mr. Aw Boon-haw, millionaire philanthropist, heads the list. He has been promoted to be an Associate Knight of Grace.

Dr. Arthur Woo, District Surgeon, has been promoted to be a Commander (Brother).

The same honours have been bestowed on Dr. Shiu Lok-sang, Corps Surgeon.

District Officer, Mr. Leslie Bones, Corps Superintendent Mr. Ronald Alfred Edwards, and Mr. Ezra Abraham have been admitted to the Order as Serving Brothers, and Lady Corps Surgeon, Mrs. Ethel Mary Holmes-Brown as Serving Sister.

The Donat Badge in Silver has been awarded to Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, and, for his work following the end of the war, Dr. Yung Pong-foo has been awarded a Vellum of Thanks.

Silk Mills' Workers In Demonstration

"We are prepared to die here and make this place our graveyard," a demonstrating worker of the Mayer Silk Mills, told the "Sunday Herald" yesterday while being interviewed in front of the mill's town office at 83, Bonham Strand yesterday.

Reinforced by 50 more workers yesterday morning, more than 100 workers of the silk mills made themselves at home on the pavements in front of the mill's office since early Friday morning.

"We will not disperse from this place until the management has given us definite reply on our demands."

The demonstrating workers who have been on strike since May 24, when a man who had been absent from work for three months, management demanded that this man should be re-employed by the management.

Other demands were to fix eight hours of working, to fix days of rest and to improve treatment.

Arriving at the mill's town office at about 9.30 a.m. on Friday morning, the workers made

themselves comfortable and on Friday night without any objections from any quarter, camped overnight on the pavement.

At first they occupied the offices of the premises but later on the request of the police, the workers withdrew from the building and took up the space in front of the premises.

Food Brought

Food was brought to them by numerous other labour unions in form of bread and fruits.

Yesterday morning the egg sellers' union sent its representatives to the scene and distributed more than 10 loaves of bread and 10 crates of bananas to the Mayer workers.

The local Tramway workers also sent 11 of their members to comfort the strikers.

In order to maintain peace and order in the area, extra policemen were posted and every night and then a squad of husky policemen patrolled that section of the Bonham Strand.

Hawaiian shirts, jackets, hats and other clothing were hung on the iron bars of the office windows making the Mayer town office look like an over-crowded cloak room.

In the afternoon four representatives were sent to the Labour Office with a view to negotiating once more with the mill's management but to their disappointment no representative of the management turned up at the Office.

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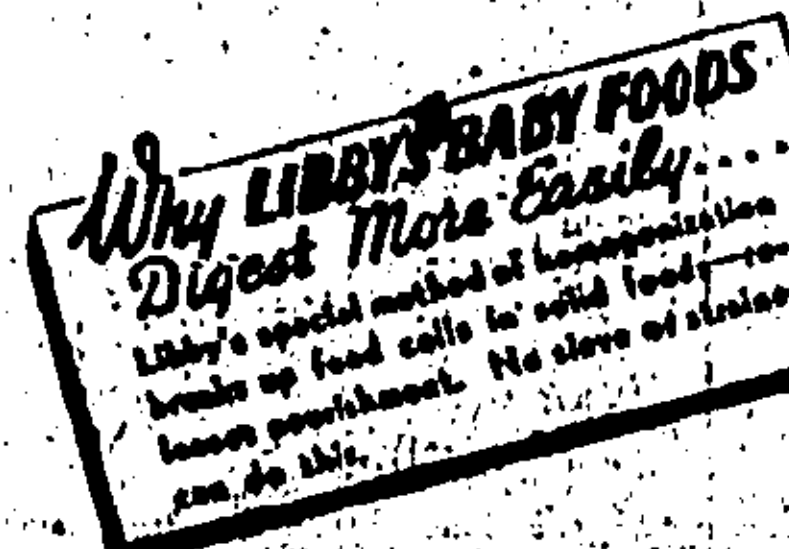
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Court Ends Hearing Of Alleged Plot To Hold Up Kowloon Hotel

The case against three men, charged jointly with possession of arms and ammunition and conspiracy to rob the Kowloon Hotel on May 18, was concluded yesterday before Mr. J. Wicks of Kowloon Magistracy.

Reminders

Today

HK Art Club, Sketching Party, members to assemble at Vehicular Ferry wharf (Hong Kong side) 2.15 p.m. (for their information from Mr. Noblin, Tel: 30709).
Classical Concert, The H Club (Taipei House), 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.45 p.m.
Beach picnic, Silverstrand Beach, European YMCA 2.30 p.m.
Chinese Reform Association, meeting at Sun Kwong Hotel, 3.30 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW
Whist Drive, European YMCA (for civilians and Servicemen), 8 p.m.

TUESDAY
HK Rotary Club, luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Bridge Drive (for civilians and Servicemen) European YMCA, 8 p.m.

HK Light Orchestra rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral hall, 6.15 p.m.
HK Rotary Club (closed meeting), Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
The H Club meeting, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 a.m.
HK Amateur Radio Transmitting Society, meeting at Cifin Fleet Club Theatre, 5.30 p.m.
Mahjong Lessons (no charge for Servicemen), European YMCA, 8 p.m.

THURSDAY
Kowloon Rotary Club (closed meeting), Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Dinner, European YMCA, 8 p.m. (Jolly Variety Show for Tramps).
Y's Men's Club, luncheon, at Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

FRIDAY
HK Light Orchestra, Singers' rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 7.30 p.m.

SATURDAY
Victoria Recreation Club swimming Gala in honour of Sir Arthur Moore, at VRC pool, 9.30 p.m.

Comfort Gifts For Seamen

More than 100 seamen from 15 vessels voluntarily went to the Chinese Seamen's Union local office yesterday and expressed their sympathy towards the disputing crews of the Chinese vessels, the ss. Hai Liang and ss. Hai Feng, by donating more than \$1,000 worth of comforting presents. More than 20 crew members of the two Chinese vessels are at present living in the union's premises awaiting for a wage settlement with the vessels' owners.

The disputing seamen were taken off their ships on July 21 by police at the request of the ships' owners. Among the seamen, 50 of them were charged at the Marine court for disobeying orders issued by the master of the ss. Hai Liang. Thirty-eight were found guilty and were sentenced to seven days' imprisonment with hard labour and the rest were acquitted.

FOUND IN TAXI

The owner of a yellow cotton overall, left behind in a public car, may claim the garment at the Hong Kong Public Vehicle Owners Association, 40, Hennessey Road (1st floor). The overall was found in public vehicle, No. 4743, after two European passengers had alighted.

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Six staff members of the Royal Observatory watched a record balloon ascent in Hong Kong during the week. The balloon was sent up to record temperature, humidity and wind direction in the upper atmosphere. Left to right: W. P. Goodfellow, B. W. Thompson (entering the balloon), G. Bell, R. C. Bannister (following the balloon through a telescopic theodolite), C. S. Ramage and L. Starbuck, Assistant Director, Royal Observatory. ("China Mail" photo).

Record Balloon Ascent To Obtain Weather Data

A further step forward in weather forecasting was made by the Royal Observatory during the week when, in a test, a record data gathering balloon ascent was made to an altitude of 59,000 feet.

The previous record was 34,500 feet.

The test was made to determine the suitability of the Observatory roof as a launching site. The balloon used was five feet in diameter on the ground and was estimated to have reached 16 feet in diameter by the time it burst.

Movie Filmed In Business District

The alley way between the Gloucester Hotel Building and the Exchange Building was temporarily made into a movie land by a working party of the Great Wall Film Industry yesterday afternoon when the party was shooting an outdoor scene for their new film.

A large number of onlookers were attracted by the two famous stars who were acting along the fire escapes of the Exchange Building.

Directed by the well known director, Mr. Yu Feng, the stars were Miss Pei Kong and Mr. Yen Chuen, both stars of the "Forgotten Woman" which drew tens of thousands of movie fans when shown recently at the King's Theatre.

One of the scenes depicted the accidental fall of a woman from the roof of a building.

The victim was a straw dummy wrapped in an expensive dress and decorated with powder and lip stick.

Three cameras were used for shooting of this outdoor scene. Two were placed at windows on the fifth and seventh floors of the Gloucester Building and the last took up a place at the end of the alley way.

Hotels Still Booked Up

Contrary to general belief, pressure on hotel accommodation has not eased in any way since Shanghai was occupied by the Communists, the "Sunday Herald" was informed by the management of the leading hotels.

Bookings have been registered right up to December next, and many applications for earlier reservations have had to be turned down.

The fact that some accommodation has been made available for Service personnel lately does not mean it is now possible to book rooms more easily, the "Sunday Herald" learned. Bookings for the Services represent only a small percentage of what they asked for, and are on the understanding that they will give up their rooms as soon as alternative accommodation is found for them by the Military Authorities.

All bookings for the Services are from the quota set aside for transients, and not from that reserved for permanent residents.

WOMEN FINED ON MORALS CHARGE

"Hello soldier," said Cheung Kwai-hing, a woman, aged 30, when she accosted an R.A.F. man on July 22 in Des Voeux Road Central.

Pleading guilty to a charge of soliciting for an immoral purpose, defendant was fined \$35.

Another woman in the early morning of Saturday went up to a soldier, touched his chin and asked if the soldier would take her home.

Before the magistrate, Mr. d'Almeida, the woman, Chou Chat, aged 22, pleaded guilty to a charge of soliciting for an immoral purpose and was fined \$35.

Hong Kong Tax System As A Model For PI

The Republic of the Philippines has sent its Internal Revenue Bureau Chief to Hong Kong to study the Colony's tax system. Suitable parts of Hong Kong's tax system will be incorporated into the Philippines' system if approved by the Philippines Congress.

Mr. M. R. Domingo, Chief Agent of the Bureau of Internal Revenue, Philippines, arrived here recently from Manila.

He has already conferred with the Colony's Financial Secretary, Mr. C. G. S. Follows, and Internal Revenue Department officials.

Views have been exchanged on the tax systems of both governments.

Mr. Domingo told the "Sunday Herald" yesterday that he will present any good, sound tax measures enforced here, to the Philippines Congress for adoption in his country.

He added that the conferences with Hong Kong's officials were carried out in a spirit of friendship and co-operation.

His country, he said, is living within its income and is financially sound. Gross collections from internal revenue taxes for the fiscal year ended June 30 last totalled more than 320,000,000 pesos—the estimated amount was 300,000,000 pesos.

Mr. Domingo said that a good portion of the revenue was collected from Chinese business in the Philippines.

The Philippines, he added, is at present in a feverish state of reconstruction.

The Republic is going ahead with an industrialization programme and welcomes foreign capital which will be afforded the same privileges as Filipino capital.

Gold Found On Woman Passenger

During a routine search at Kai Tak Airport of incoming passengers from Kunning by CNAC plane on July 22, a woman passenger, Lan Suk-ying, was asked by revenue officers whether she had any gold to declare. Lan did not reply.

Searched, three gold bars, weighing about 15 taels, were found sewn into the lining of her handbag.

As a result, Lan was yesterday charged before Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon with importing gold without a permit.

In Court yesterday, Lan pleaded she did not understand Cantonese dialect, and furthermore she did not hear what the revenue officer had said to her, as she was looking after her five children. She further said that she will leave the Colony for Taiwan in a few days.

A fine of \$100 was imposed. The gold was ordered to be returned on her leaving the Colony.

TALBOT HOUSE CONCERT

A concert of recorded music will be presented at Talbot House (Toc H), 50, Macdonnell Road, at 8.45 p.m. today.

The programme consists of works by Tchaikovsky and will include Italian Caprice, Serenade in C major, Andante, Cantabile from Quartet in D, Symphony in F minor, No. 4.

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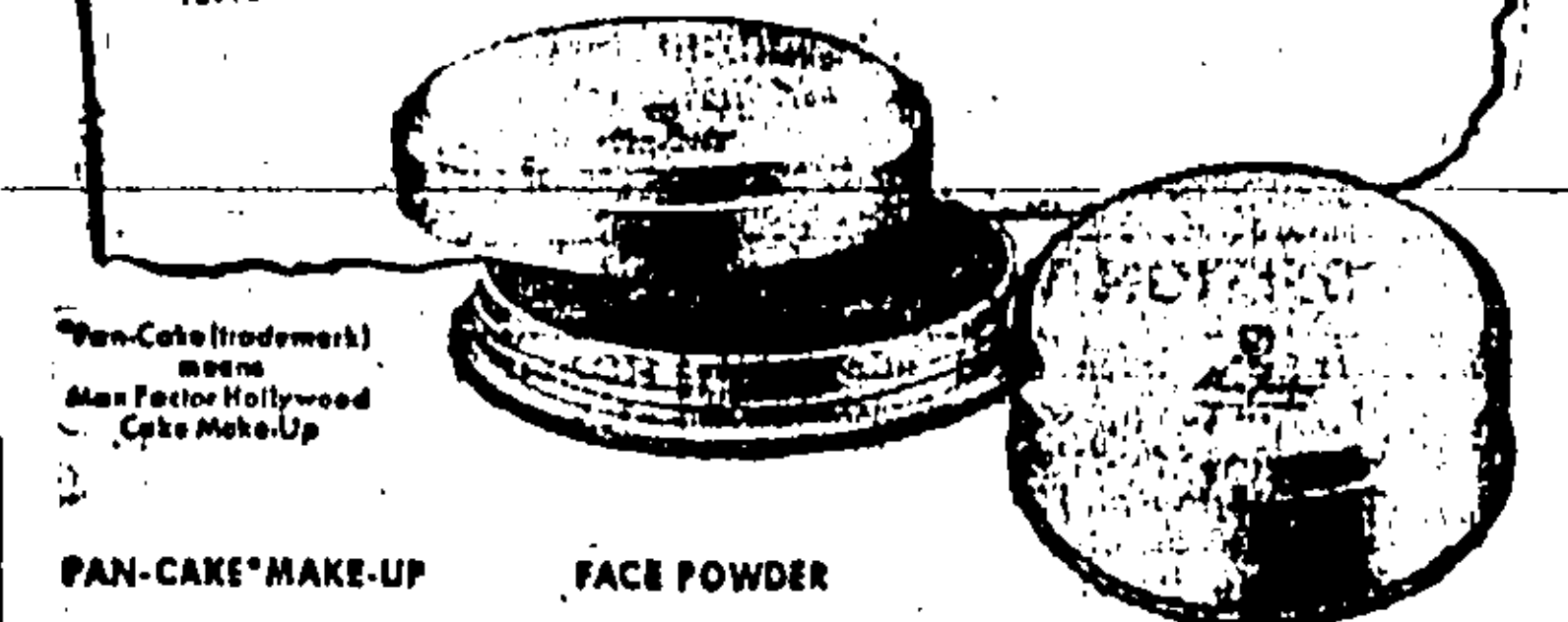
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Godown Being Rebuilt



The Wing On Godown on Des Voeux Road West, is being rebuilt by the Wing On Insurance Company. The building was damaged during a fire in 8 p.m. on 19th September, 1948, resulting in the death of more than 100 people. (China Mail Photo)

Rebuilding Of Wing On Godown

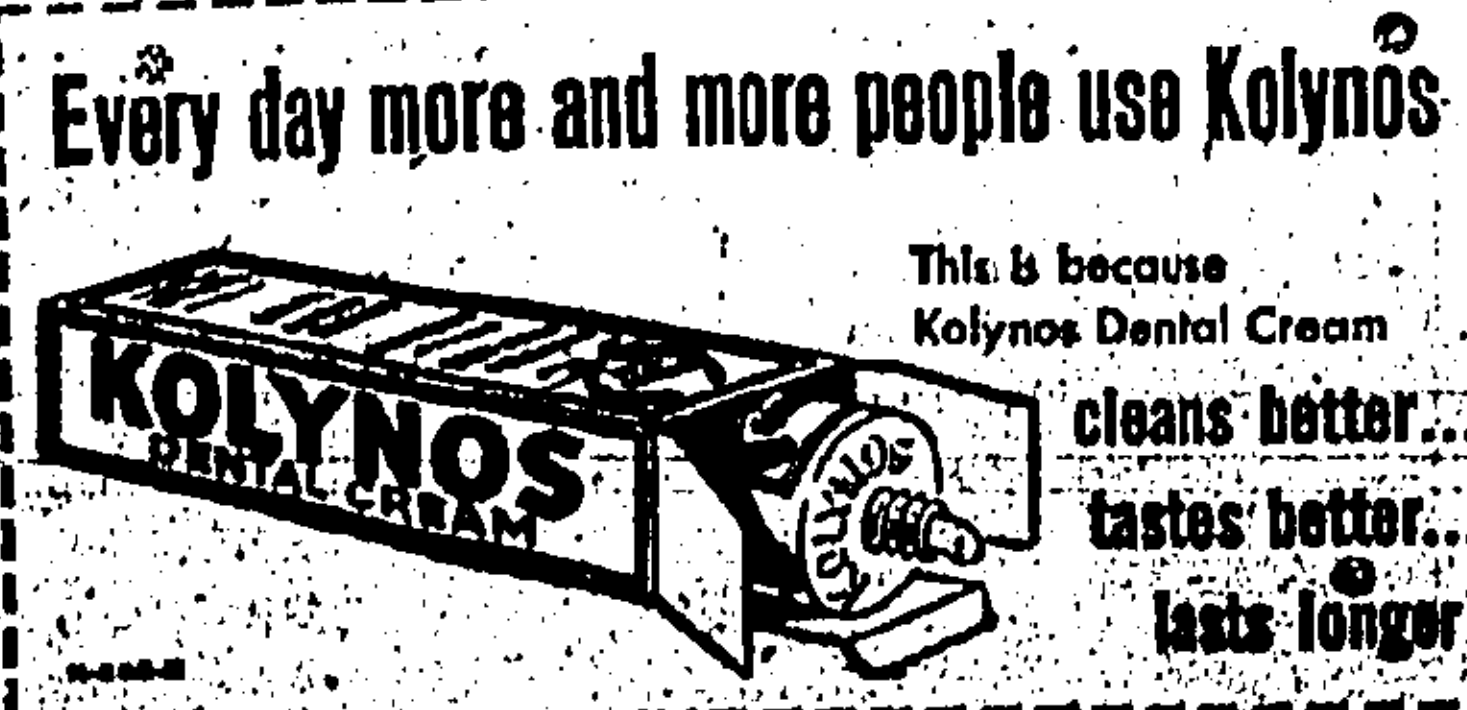
The Wing On Godown on Des Voeux Road West, and a building on Connaught Road West, both owned by the Wing On Insurance Company, are now under reconstruction. This site was the scene of the disastrous fire of September last year. A survey conducted by the "Sunday Herald" revealed that the fire-damaged buildings are being reconstructed by the Wing On Construction Company since April 1. It was learned that it would take about two months for the work to be completed. The Godown which is situated on the waterfront, has been pulled down to the first floor. The ground floor will be reconstructed as a godown. The Wing On Insurance Company, which is licensed, has reserved half a million dollars for the reconstruction of the damaged sites.

UNLAWFULLY BOARDED LINER

Charged with unlawful boarding of the Dutch liner s.s. Tjibadak, 28 Chinese were fined \$100 each or one month's imprisonment with hard labour by Captain H. J. Cairns at the Marine Court yesterday. Defendants were arrested on Friday afternoon. Fourteen of them paid \$250 bail each after being arrested. Earlier in the morning, a 26-



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Committee For Entertainment Of Servicemen

A committee to assist in arranging entertainment and welfare for Servicemen in the Colony has been appointed by the Governor. Twenty-nine local residents have been named to comprise what will officially be known as the Forces Civilian Entertainment and Welfare Committee.

Mr. D. Benson, Manager of the Mercantile Bank of India, is Chairman of the Committee. The Members of the Committee are Mrs. Fung Ping-fan, Mrs. C. S. Kwok, Lady Lo, Mrs. A. E. Matthews, Mrs. M. Robertson, Mrs. J. Sheldon, Mrs. D. M. Woo, R. A. Brown, Kwok Chan, A. Coates, William Eu, E. C. Fincher, F. P. Franklin, R. Gordon, Lam Chi-fung, Lau Tak-po, R. C. Lee, Lo Min-nung, W. H. Nollath, D. Orchard, Dr. A. M. Rodrigues, A. de O. Sales, H. F. Shields, Tang Shiu-kin, Chao E. Terry, T. Weiner, Colonel T. H. Spear, (representing H.M. Forces) and Mrs E. G. Price, (Hon. Secretary).

year-old junk master was fined \$100 or a month's imprisonment with hard labour by Captain Cairns. Ho Tai, master of passenger junk B58Y, was charged with conveying women for prostitution. Defendant was arrested on Friday.

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5. Tenders should be sent under sealed cover plainly marked "Tender for Wrecks and Scrap Labuan" and must be addressed to The Government Tenders Board, Labuan, North Borneo, so as to arrive not later than 15th September, 1949.
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The most critical day this week is likely to be Thursday. Some re-arrangement of personal relationships or a new business develops then. A good week for anything that relates to new training or foreign business.

FEBRUARY

(January 20-February 18)
Try to get important undertakings completed by mid-week. Chances are that you run into a spot of trouble on Saturday. Beware clashes with close associates and revival of family feuds.

MARCH

(February 19-March 20)
First few days of week may bring "gamblers' luck" or alternatively, sudden changes in personal affairs. End of week is likely to coincide with revival of an old friendship or once profitable association. A good week for social life.

APRIL

(March 21-April 20)
Heavy expenses this week probably connected with home or family. But compensation in the shape of social progress or success, and in the reappearance of a useful associate. Beware complications in a close relationship on Saturday.

MAY

(April 21-May 20)
Controversy about a publicity matter or new contract likely to be revived in next few days. Better wait until Wednesday or end of week before you take a decisive step. Friday should see some personal achievement and reward for weeks of effort.

JUNE

(May 21-June 20)
An up and down week financially. Take care you don't make rash commitments, clash with officials. A good week for travel and for reunions with old friends. Monday and Saturday both potentially fortunate.

JULY

(January 21-July 20)
Wise to cut through entanglements this week and break with congenial associates financially. A good week for "luck" likely materialize. Wednesday or Friday. Accident risks somewhat high, take extra precautions if travelling on Saturday.

AUGUST

(July 21-August 21)
The next few days will probably see you coping with unreliable or treacherous associates. Rest of week probably lively and amusing; some new interest develops rapidly. A long-standing investment begins to pay.

SEPTEMBER

(August 22-September 22)
A friend's misadventures involve you in trouble unless you are careful. First half of week likely to witness much hectic

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By R. H. Naylor

In this weekly series of articles, one of the world's foremost experts in predicting the future gives his opinions on what you personally can expect in the weeks and months to come.

Look for your birth period below and find the general indications for the week. Note that these observations are made according to the Zodiacal Signs and do not exactly coincide with the Calendar Month. For example, January covers December 21-January 19.

activity and some worry. About Wednesday conditions improve and you end the week with some personal success.

OCTOBER

(September 23-October 22)
Important business changes over due in next few days; you will probably get first indications of it on Wednesday. If contemplating a change of job or far-reaching reshuffles, aim at getting all arrangements completed by mid-August.

NOVEMBER

Sudden changes made in travel plans or in arrangements for autumn studies or ventures. Correspondence likely to be unusually heavy and there will be more than one unexpected visitor both at home and place of work. Stroke of luck through an old friend end of week.

DECEMBER

(November 23-December 22)
A more tranquil business period sets in this week. But personal life is somewhat disturbed. Beware clashes with in-laws, if married, of brothers and sisters if single. Financial prospects good throughout week.

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the year. However settled you may feel, there are romantic experiences ahead. 1949/50 should bring not only success but some unusual happiness your way.

THURSDAY, JULY 28:

FOR MOST OF US: A good day for sorting out the week's difficulties and clearing up errors. Dealings with older people prove profitable. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Red-Brown, 8, Jade.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:

Throughout 1949/50 you will be very conscious of the past. Old friendships, family ties, long-standing associations will determine just what you do during the coming 12 months. Not until your next birthday is there much prospect of change.

If you plan away during the coming 12 months, you will probably get appreciation and recognition of your efforts both about September and in the New Year of 1950. If in a profession, promotion is likely. If in business, it will be a "settling down" period in which you do not make sensational profits but you establish yourself more firmly.

An older person plays an important part in what is going on this year, and many of your own ideas and schemes may have to be modified to suit his or her convenience. Family claims, too, will be heavy throughout the twelve months. You will spend much of 1949/50 in duty visits, attentions to older relatives, schemes for restoring or increasing family income.

It should be a good year for dealing in property though you would not see much returns right away. So don't hesitate to buy your own house, put money into land during 1949/50.

Personal life may be rather dull this year, particularly if you have a hankering after romance or adventure. But you will find a good deal of happiness in existing ties and probably stimulation in new friendships due early in 1950.

FRIDAY, JULY 29:

FOR MOST OF US: Emphatically a day for attending to money matters and legal business. Better leave more subtle or intimate matters until the weekend. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Wine red, 3, Amethyst.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: If you are ambitious, anxious for success in your career and also keen on money-making, 1949/50 should be a period after your own heart. But if you like a varied and interesting existence, have an unconventional and adventurous streak in your character, you may find life dull this year.

Where money is concerned it should be a vintage period. Income should increase both in the

near future and more particularly in the early days of 1950. Better remember that throughout the 12 months it will be wiser to sell than to buy. If you hold assets, you should be able to cash in on them very satisfactorily this year.

If employed, promotion is likely and should coincide with a rise in income. If you are your own master, you should see good results now from efforts of the last two years or so. There is some prospect of speculative luck round about Christmas and in the New Year.

If social minded, you will probably enjoy yourself this year, but any friends you make in 1949/50 are likely to be of a conventional and possibly pompous type. If you have political ambitions it will be worthwhile doing all you can to forward them in the next 12 months.

Personal life may be rather dull, though if marriage has been planned it would go through without a hitch in the next nine months. Family affairs flourish and it will be easy to improve your standard of comfort and to lead a fuller existence in 1949/50.

SATURDAY, JULY 30:

FOR MOST OF US: The day may begin with annoying incidents or clashes, but conditions improve in the afternoon. Arrange travel, interviews, late in day. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Cream, 1, Crystal.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: This new year of life is likely to open in a stormy manner but events of the next few months will be no guide as to what happens later. After troublesome incidents in the near future, you will probably settle down to a pleasant and varied existence for the rest of the year.

A break with a trusted associate is likely between now and October. There will be a good deal of controversy before arrangement actual occurs and a change of some danger or scandal. But if you can weather the storm, you will find that you recover lost ground, get the better of your adversaries towards Christmas.

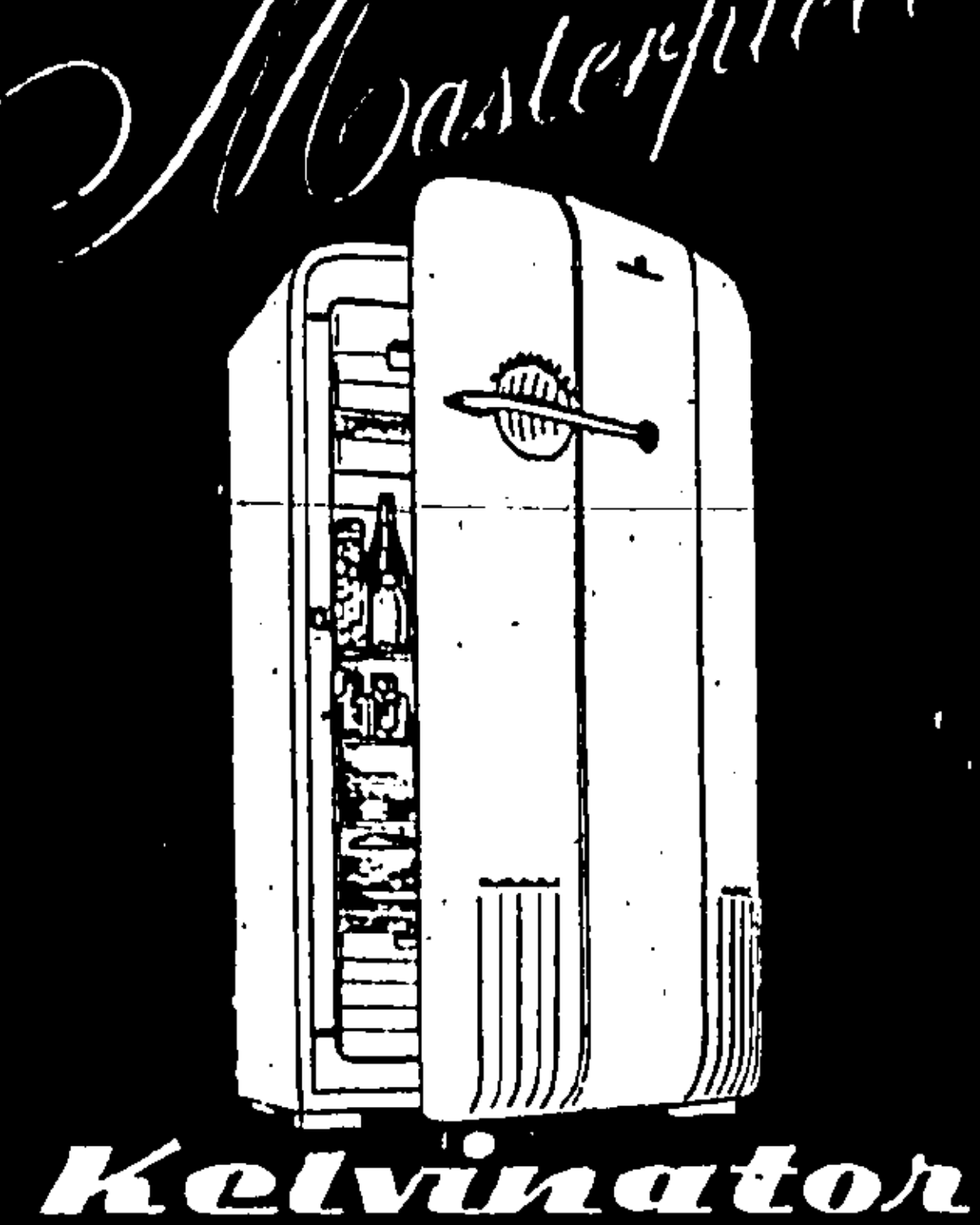
Be careful in any dealings with officials; it will be all too easy to get involved in some complicated and long drawn out controversy. Also, if you have legal business on hand, try to get a decision postponed until after October.

Health should be excellent throughout the year but do be wary of small mishaps. Also, take care that you are protected against loss through theft and through fire this year. If planning travel, it would not be wise to set out on lengthy journeys before October.

Life may be clouded by a serious quarrel in the next months, probably with a close friend or brother or sister. But personal relationships in the latter half of the year run a happy course. A new friendship proves more engrossing and comforting than you expected.

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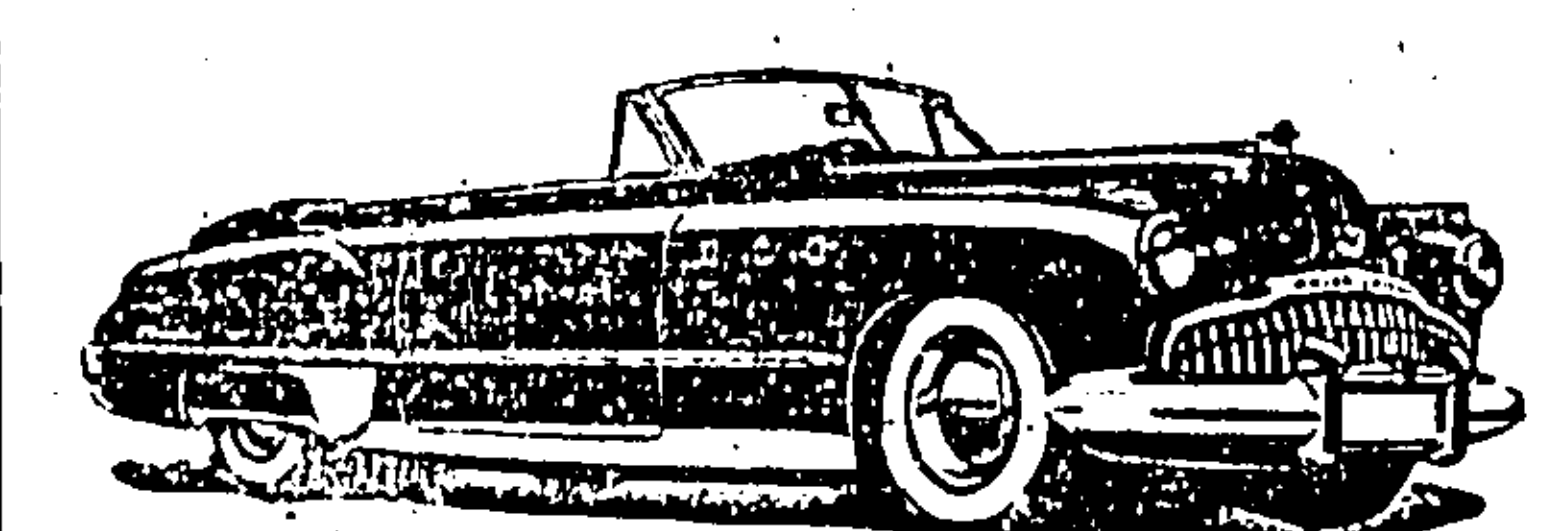
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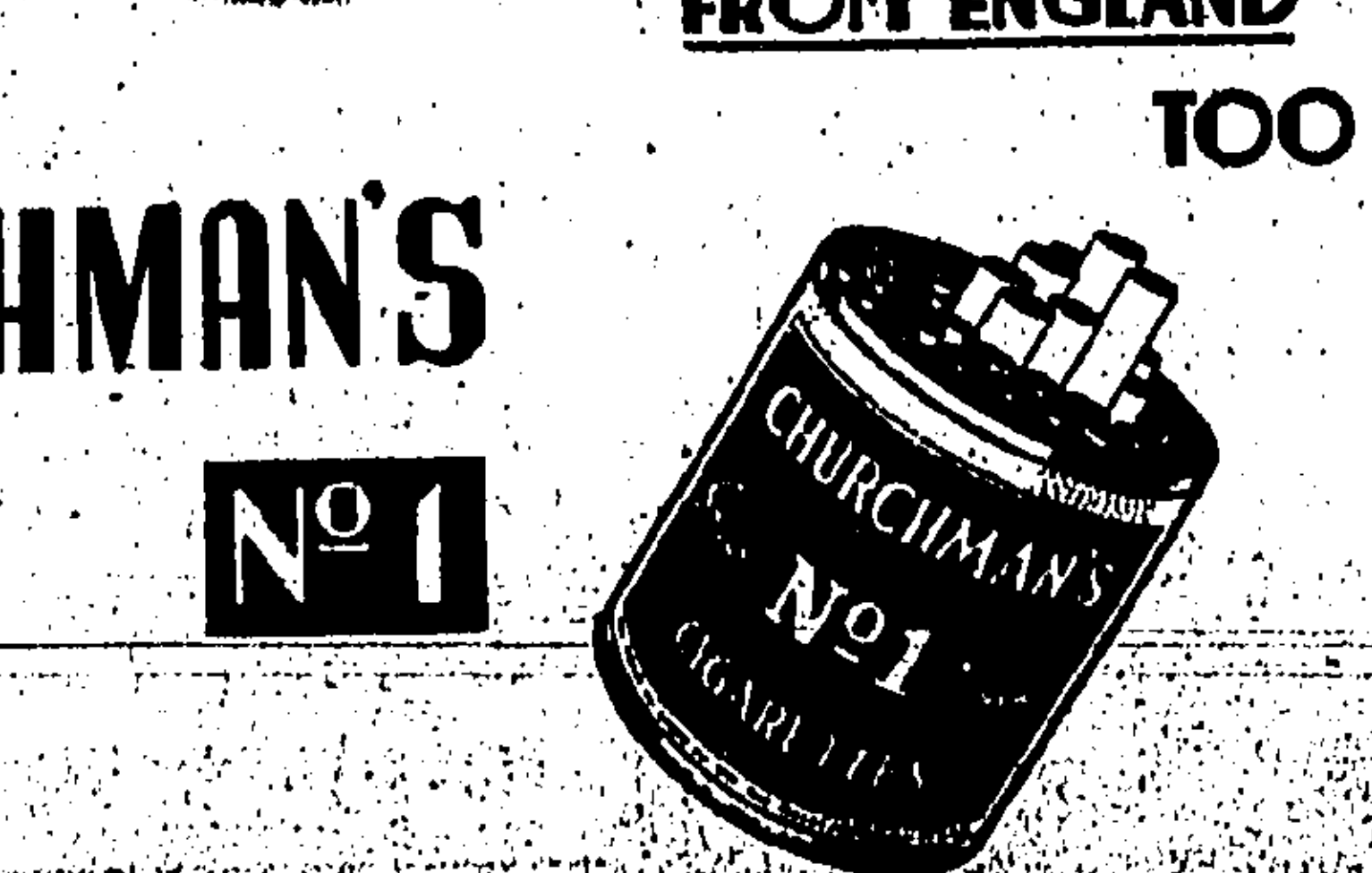


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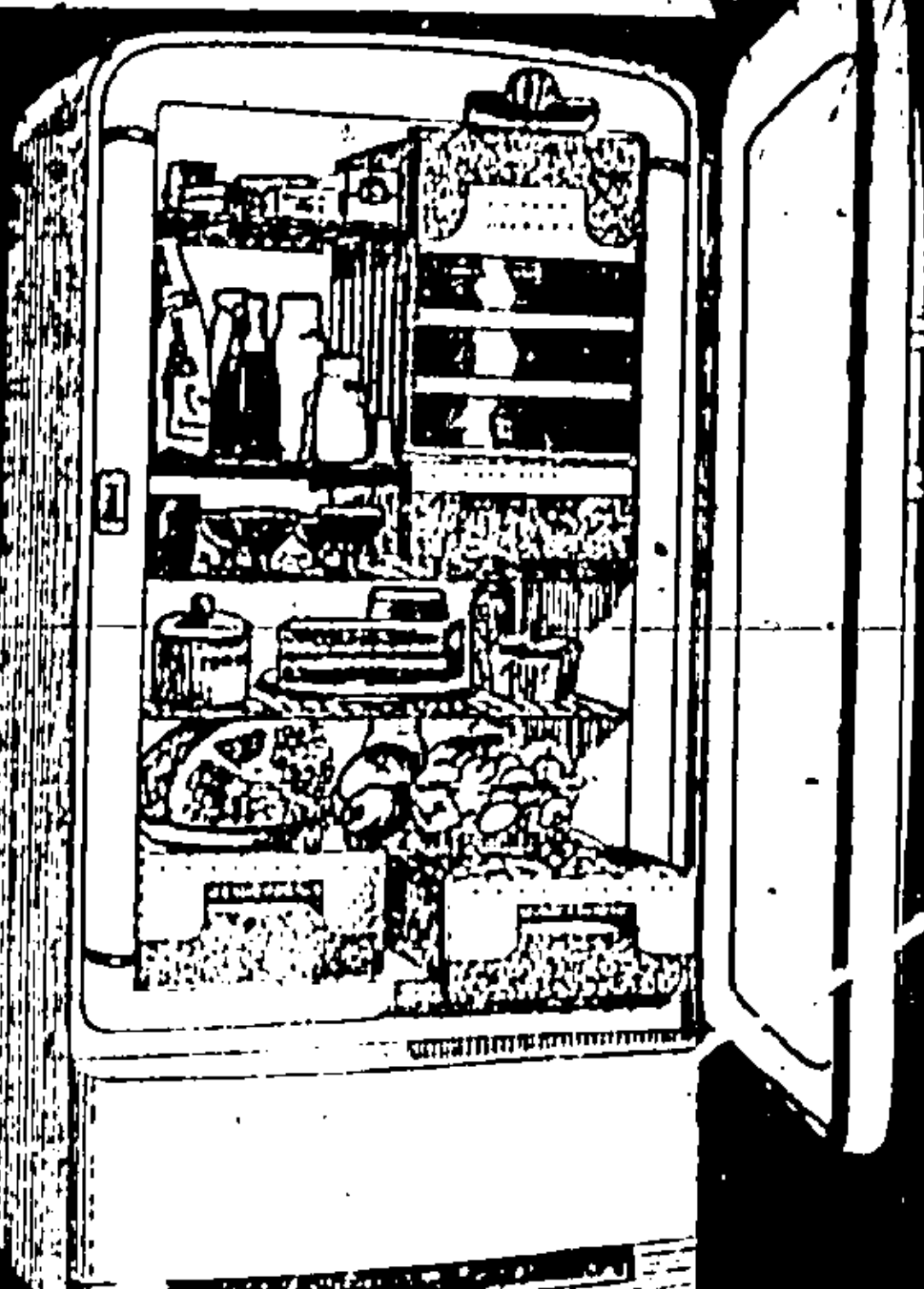
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Or, at least, not just below. I actually have to stand on a chair and lean out to get a clear view. The excavator is simple in design. An arm like the jib of a crane, and a bucket that runs up and down it.

Oh, gosh! Look! Did you see that? The lorry was heaped up with rubble. The excavator suddenly smoothed down the lumps with its bucket, and then dropped a huge mouthful right into the cleared space! Smoothed the rubble right down flat, with a sort of stroking movement, and then dropped this enormous mouthful right into the middle of the track, where it wouldn't soil over the edges. Then it snipped its jaws once or twice, swung round, and went back for more. I wonder would it like a drink of water.

Where was I? The excavator is a perfectly simple piece of machinery. An arm like the jib of a crane, and a bucket that runs up and down it. But every day the wall is lined with people watching it at work. A curious phenomenon. I cannot really see why they find it so.

Stop! Look! It's going to attack these bushes! There's a clump of bushes in the corner, and now it's lurching towards them. I bet those bushes are good and nervous. I bet those old bushes



would like to tear themselves up by the roots and run. Crunched! He dug itself right in underneath them. Anyone else would set about this job from the top, fooling about with axes and billhooks, but not Sir Shovel. He goes right for the root of the matter.

Heave! Heave! That's it! Steady, boy. Up she comes! A great mouthful, dipping bricks. How splendid Sir Shovel looks as he swings round towards the lorry, tossing his plumes of foliage.

Crash! He shoots them right into the truck, and drops a load of debris on top of them for good measure. Another snap of his splendid jaws, and round he goes for more.

He's picking up a huge slab of concrete. He swings it back-wards and forwards. What is he going to do?

I don't believe... he can't be... he is! He's going to knock down the wall with the concrete slab. He's going to bash it against the wall, and then gobble up the bits with his bucket. He's going to play a golf shot. It looks exactly like it. Slow back, hold it for a second at the top, smoothly down and—crack! A peach, sir, bang in the middle of the club. A shower of bricks fly out of the wall.

Sir Shovel swings back again—hands nice and high, good full pivot. Steady. Don't press. Don't press!

Ouch!

You'll never believe what happened. He came into it too fast. He topped it. The concrete slab skated right over the top of the wall, flew out into a wild follow-through, and nearly brought Sir Shovel with it. Near as anything swung him off his feet. The caddy's got out now and is looking him over to see if any bones are broken.

I do wish they'd take that thing away, and let decent people get on with their work.

Boiling Point

"Well," said the man, "is it hot enough for you?"

"I beg your pardon," I said carefully.

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Safety Of Travel

KING SHEUNG YAT PO: During piracies in the Pearl River delta have seriously menaced traffic between Hong Kong, Canton and West River ports during the past 12 months. The most recent outrage was the piracy of the ss. Kwai Wah.

Apparatus have been made time and again to the authorities concerned to exert every effort to clear the area involved of pirates and bandits to safeguard property and life.

We repeat once more that unless the Government can ensure travelling safety between Hong Kong and Canton which has now become the national capital it will not be able to solve its other problems—economic, political and military.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's recent appeal for popular support in the defence of South China against Communism is indeed a challenge to those responsible for the safety of travel in South China.

Trade between Hong Kong and Canton cannot be allowed to be disrupted. The authorities concerned are obliged to co-operate sincerely and fully with the shipping companies in maintaining safety in travelling between Hong Kong and Canton.

Constitutional Reform

TA KUNG PAO: Regarding the question of constitutional reform, the opinion expressed by a representative of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Labour Unions Federation is important.

He said that the Hong Kong Government should respect the freedom, which it promised to give the people, to show its determination for constitutional reform as well as to gain the confidence of the people.

The intention of the Government in voluntarily promising democratic freedom and constitutional reform is to respect the welfare of the people.

As a matter of fact, any Government measure should be taken with this end in view. For

example, the Education Department has recently decided to take over school buildings but on learning afterwards that their good management had won the praise of the public, the idea was eventually dropped.

It is not true that enterprises run by the public for their own welfare should receive encouragement and aid and not interference from the Government.

As the Education Department has shown its respect for public opinion by preserving the labour schools, it ought to go one step further to give them aid.

Amid the cries of democracy, freedom and reform, the instance cited above is a typical example. We hope that the Hong Kong Government will let the people shoulder more responsibility for their own welfare and apply it as a principle to constitutional reform.

Sir Stafford Cripps

SING TAO JIH PAO: Sir Stafford Cripps, British Chancellor of the Exchequer is going on sick leave, not purely for health reasons.

As indicated in Press reports his departure may be the result of pressure from the United States of America.

It may also mean that Britain is prepared to accept the American demand to abandon the policy of Sir Stafford Cripps and to remain as a satellite of American economy.

If it is for the former reason, the sick leave of Sir Stafford will be confined to six weeks. But if it is for the latter reason, the decision as regards devaluation of sterling would be decided at the Washington Conference next September.

The efforts of Sir Stafford to overcome the economic crisis and to make decisions despite pressure from the Americans are correct.

Britain and the United States are closely related economically, and there cannot be any disruption between them.

But it would be dangerous if one tries to control the other without giving it a chance to become independent.

Chinese And Politics

WEN WEI PAO: The demand for the right to participate in politics by tax-payers and for democratic rights by ordinary citizens is a common tendency nowadays.

The question of constitutional reform in Hong Kong which has become a general topic sufficiently reflects this tendency.

It is the general desire of the residents of Hong Kong that their freedom of assembly, speech, speech, residence and education should not be impaired and that they should be represented in legislative and executive organisations.

As more than 90 per cent of the local population is Chinese, to look after their interests is an important problem. This question is best solved if their representatives are allowed to participate in politics.

The result would not be satisfactory if such a job were to be done for them by some other people. Chinese merchants have learned a bitter lesson from the enactment of the Debtors and Creditors (Occupation Period) Ordinance.

Participation in politics by Chinese has a social foundation. As the British Colonial Office had already promised to give Hong Kong people more responsibility in running their own affairs, it is necessary that the Hong Kong Government should adopt appropriate fundamental measures for the protection of their freedom without which democracy would not be complete.

Most of the enthusiastic Chinese reformers come from the rank and file of merchants and labourers. Their personal experiences teach them the necessity to fight for the right of participation in local politics. But if it is desired to win the sympathy and support of the masses, the movement for the realisation of democratic rule must not stop with demand for the right of participation in politics alone. It should also aim at securing a guarantee for the protection of the basic freedom of the people.

"Is it hot enough for me," I said, "to do what?"

He seemed surprised. "I don't know," he said vaguely—"anything."

"I see," I said, "thank you. Tell me just one other thing. When you say, 'Is it hot enough for you?' it would seem to suggest that you might have some control over the temperature. Is that, in fact, true?"

His brow furrowed. "What are you trying to get at?" he said.

"I am trying," I said, "to prevent people asking me if it is hot enough for me. I am also trying," I continued, "to prevent people telling me that they don't feel the heat at all. Do you know what they say?" I asked him, catching him by his alpaca jacket. "They say, 'It's a funny thing about me, but I don't seem to feel the heat at all.'"

"Now that," I went on, seizing him by the other lapel, "is obviously not a funny thing. A biological freak, perhaps, or even a downright lie, but definitely—absolutely definitely—not a funny thing."

"And while I'm at it," I shouted standing on one of his sandals. I should like to warn you not to tell me that you believe it would be possible to fry an egg on the pavement. You might be able to fry an egg, although I doubt very much if the yolk would set, but even if you could it would be simply and solely because the sun had made the pavement hot.

"This is summer weather. The sun's declination is such that we are exposed almost to the full heat of its rays. If they should be hot enough to fry an egg on the pavement it shows that everything's all right. The solar system is working properly. The sun hasn't turned inside out."

"And," I roared, putting my foot on his other sandal, "while we are momentarily held in convulsion might I beg you not to inform me that there is nothing so cooling as a nice hot cup of tea."

"I seized him round the neck. 'Dear is the thing,' I cried—'frost-cold, cascading, frost-bitten floods of beer, with lumps of ice in it great freezing glacier lumps, blue-white, perishing—COLD!'"

The bartender conducted me to the door. "You're feeling the heat a bit, sir," he said.

"Of course I'm feeling the heat," I shouted on the pavement. "It's hot, isn't it? At this time of year the sun, by the fixed laws of the universe, is higher in the sky than it is in winter. We're bound to feel the heat. The rays of the sun, instead of striking the earth at a tangent, beat down upon it almost vertically. It warms everything up. There's nothing extraordinary about it. It's just hot."

I threw myself against the door. He must have had his shoulder pressed against it inside. I walked away.

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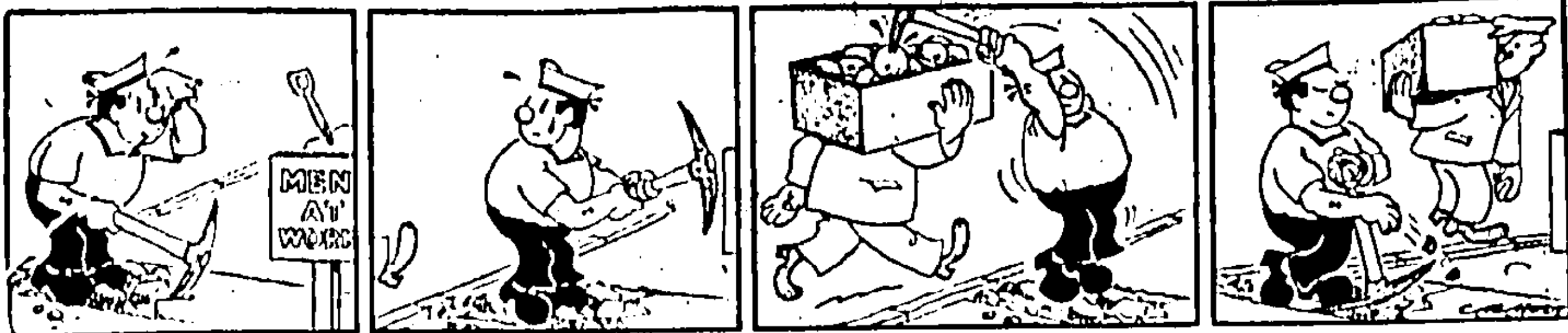
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LIFE WITH FATHER STALIN

By GORDON YOUNG

Into the news again come the Stalin children, with the report from Switzerland's "Neue Zürcher Zeitung" that the Soviet leader's pride and joy, Major-General Vassily Stalin, of the Red Air Force, is now being groomed for an important Government post.

The paper suggests that Vassily will soon be taken into the recently formed Brains Trust of the Kremlin, with a view to carrying on the Stalin dynasty there after his 70-year-old father dies.

Whether that report is true or not, one sure thing is that Vassily is the only one of the three

Stalin children who has never given father any trouble.

Although the home affairs of Stalin have always been guarded by the Soviet censorship as a top secret, if you study the record of such facts as are known you must conclude that Stalin as a parent has had almost as many problems as Stalin the politician.

Odd One Out

The three Stalin children are: Yasha, now just turned 40; Vassily, about 10 years younger; and Svetlana, his lively brunette daughter, aged about 25.

The first son is the only one whom Stalin never talks about, the child who never came to terms with his father. Yasha was the son of his first wife, Ekaterina Svanidze, a simple peasant woman whom Stalin married in 1903 when he was in his middle 20's and a revolutionary constantly harassed by the police. In fact, Stalin is said to have been in jail at the moment when Yasha was born.

A Yasha grew up it became clear that he had not the intellectual drive of his father. He was left at school, so Stalin engaged a private tutor for him. And soon after he came of age he married a girl of whom his father is alleged to have disapproved.

Neither Yasha nor his wife—indeed, any of Stalin's family except Vassily—is ever mentioned in the official Soviet records. But the story is told by unofficial biographers is that Yasha's wife was an attractive brunette dressmaker at the Russian hotel named Nadezhda Mironova, and that soon after the marriage Yasha suddenly found himself sent to work on an electrical plant in the Caucasus while his wife Nadia was arrested and detained for a time in the famous prison on the island of Solovetski, in the White Sea.

Later, it is said, she was released, and Yasha and she lived together in simple conditions in Siberia.

No War Glory

Even the war brought no dazzling military career to poor Yasha, as it did to step-brother Vassily. When the Germans invaded Russia Yasha joined the Red Army, under Stalin's original name of Djugazvili, and by the time the Germans took him prisoner in 1941 he was still only a sub-lieutenant. Last definite news of him was that he was in a POW camp in Lubek, Germany, in 1942.

More harmonious lives with father were spent by Stalin's other two children, offspring of his second marriage, in 1919, to the handsome and intellectual Georgian girl, Nadia Alliluyeva. Alliluyeva died suddenly in

1932, and lies buried in the ancient monastery of Novo Diewitsky, outside Moscow.

News of Alliluyeva's death was at first hushed up by Soviet officials, with the result that all sorts of wild rumours circulated at that time about the cause of it. The story most widely spread was that she had died through drinking a glass of poisoned wine intended for Stalin—but the true circumstances have never been known.

A Lively Girl

Stalin's only daughter, Svetlana, is, from all accounts, a clever, lively girl, with enough independence of character to hold the affectionate respect of her father.

A French governess, Pauline Labranche, who was engaged for a time to give Svetlana private French lessons in the Kremlin, afterwards related that she was quick to learn, keen on news of the outside world, and that she adored her mother.

Once, relates Mlle. Labranche, Stalin came into the room while the lesson was proceeding. "What," said he joyfully, "are

you still studying French? You'd do better to learn good cooking." Svetlana only laughed. The story has recently circulated that Soviet secret police intervened to break up a romance—another of which Stalin disapproved—between Svetlana and a Jewish film writer, Alexei Kapler (whose film "Lenin in October" won him the Lenin Prize before the war). But the last definite news of her was a Reuter report in December 1945 that she was safely married and had a baby, her husband being a fellow student at Moscow University.

The Build-up

Only Vassily stays studiously in the official Soviet spotlight. Official writers have made much of his distinguished war record—he led a fighter squadron in East Prussia before being recalled to headquarters.

Today, at 29, Vassily has been a Major-General of the Red Air Force since 1946, holds the important Order of the Red Banner, is Commander of the Air Force for the Moscow District, and regularly leads the great parades over the capital. He is reported to be engaged to a daughter of Molotov.

Vassily is the big man's son who made good; and Stalin, in wanting him in the Kremlin, would not be the first father with a yearning to see his son in the family business.



BEHIND THE POLITICAL SCENE

Kept In The Dark

By ALASTAIR FORBES

Laudatory references to the "courage" of Sir Stafford Cripps have over recent years become commonplace of political journalism. Yet it was evident recently that he had not, screwed that courage to the sticking point before preparing his keenly awaited statement on the economic situation.

The gravity of the few figures which he had to announce was not matched by the matter which accompanied their announcement. The House was not satisfied. Mr. Cripps was charged—as a lot of school children, summoned to hear a lecture on the facts of life, upon whom is foisted instead some verbose fable about the bees and the flowers.

No doubt the Chancellor had his wider foreign audience more in mind than the House of Commons to which he is responsible, though he would be wrong in thinking that his words were of the sort capable of restoring the world's dwindling confidence in the effectiveness of British Socialist planning.

Snyder's Comment

Mr. Snyder was merely being polite and amiable in confining his comments on the speech to a short sentence on the "inspiring" character of Sir Stafford's faith in his country's power of recovery. As for the ordinary people of his country, whom these great issues most concern, what were they to make of his statement?

Those who were not already unshakably indifferent were left as perplexed as ever. The headline they could see on their evening paper told them "No cuts yet," a comforting selection of emphasis.

Yet elsewhere in the same paper they could read of Mr. Gaitskell in Portcawl telling the miners of the moment of supreme crisis which was upon the nation, causing a position far too serious for just depression. The Minister of Fuel and Power, being unable to shed any light on this gloomy position, was instead reduced to shedding tears. But with these he could run himself a warm bathful a day without moving the British people to the action now required, so long as the Socialist Government to which he belongs still refuses to give the necessary leadership and command.

Minimising The Crisis

There are two lines of talk which must be exposed at the present time. One is any tendency to minimise the seriousness of the crisis in the hopes that some formula will be found to make it go away, for like the rain that is wished to Spain it will come again another day, and with renewed force.

It is the nervousness of the election date which keeps Sir Stafford's Micawberism so green. He would so much rather save his courage for the morrow of another Labour victory, and persuade the Americans once more to provide enough help to cushion the shock of impact with hard fact until a second false pro-

spectus could win another five years of power.

Hence his desire to make American flesh creep with warnings of the world depression which might follow a wholesale cut in British imports.

The other line, requiring de-banking was also to be found ruining through the Chancellor's statement, and that is the suggestion that present British difficulties must be principally attributed to the depression in the American capitalist system. Any widespread belief in this false theory would thoroughly bedevil the political structure of the Western World, upon which peace depends.

The present American "depression," so-called, is so far from a sudden capitalist catastrophe, a foreseeable contingency unforeseen by careless Socialist dreamers.

It is quite true that our recent dollar earnings have suffered from the fall in commodity prices, but that fall was foreseeable. It is quite true that American stockpiling is a sporadic process, with long intervals, the effects of which were discussed by me in January on a Washington date-line, in which few purchases are made, but this too is a foreseeable recurrence.

It is not a slump which has caused American buyers to hold off British goods (and it is a poor salesman who blames his market), but the prohibitively high costs of those goods. It is only now that we are hearing about the need to get those costs down. But the experts were warning the Government on this score long ago.

Only their warnings went unheard behind the chorus of Socialist self-praise occasioned by the illusory achievement of great quantity production, which led even responsible Ministers far up the garden path.

The awakening finds both sides of industry deep in their feather-bedding, and ill-fitted to go out into the forgotten outside world of competitive trade. For, without doubt, that is the world into which Britain must be prepared to go out.

No good will come if Sir Stafford is once more successful in persuading the Americans that we should stay at home with other doctors' certificates while the rest of the world has to clock in before the hooter.

Whatever happens there must soon be a fall in the standard of living, which will not rise again until both the workers and employers of Britain are first freed from the chains of Socialist doctrine and practice, and united behind a Government of men prepared to see Britain earn her way rather than die a tedious death struggling for diminishing "fair shares" of American charity at the Socialist soup kitchen.

It is high time that somebody got the horse out from behind the cart and set it once more in the shafts.

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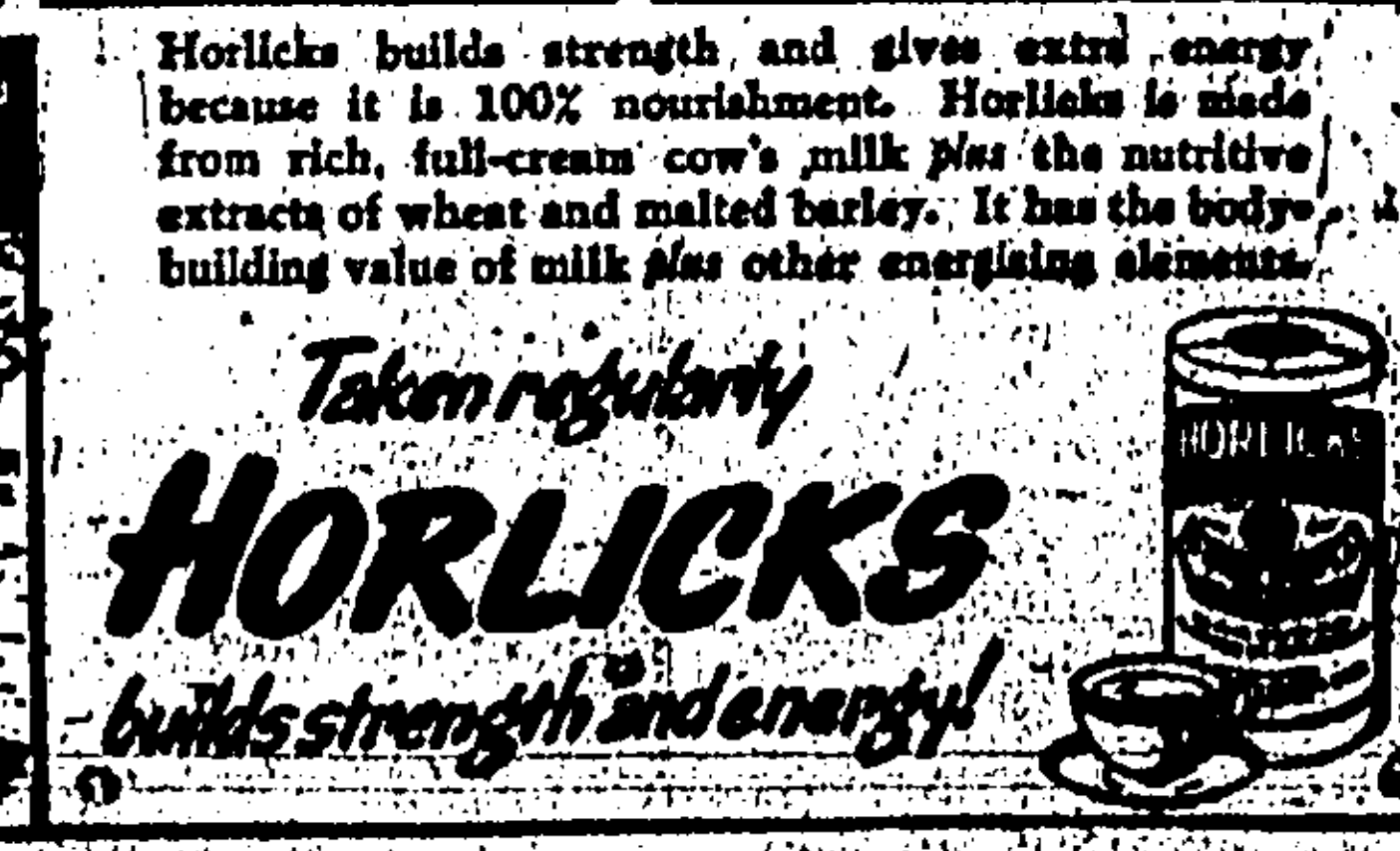
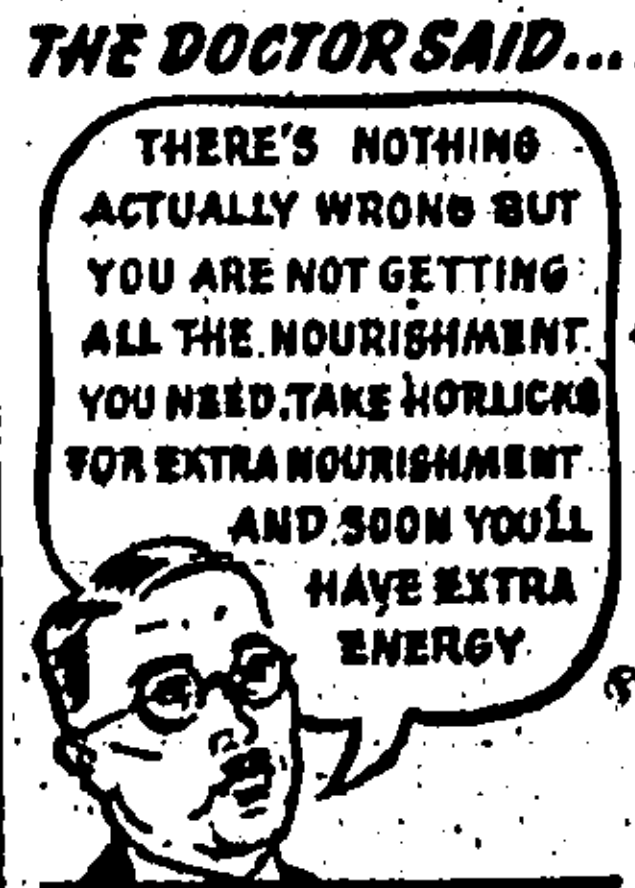
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RED SYSTEM FOULEST BLOT ON MODERN AGE

Geneva, July 22.

Britain will request the United Nations to send a commission to investigate forced labour camps in Russia—where, Britain believes, upwards of 10,000,000 people are employed.

Mr. Corley Smith, chief British delegate to the United Nations Economic and Social Council, told correspondents this here today.

Mr. Smith said that the camps, holding something like 10 per cent of Russia's adult working population, are the foulest blot on the history of the twentieth century.

ROMULO FOR BIG UN POST?

Lake Success, July 22.
Brigadier General Carlos P. Romulo, chief delegate of the Philippines, appears to be the leading candidate for President of the United Nations Assembly opening on September 20.

General Romulo is said by one of the UN delegates to have the best chance at this stage of the pre-Assembly jockeying. Discussion on the President of the Assembly came up in UN circles when the UN Secretariat posted a list of 60 items to be discussed by the Assembly. One of the first items is the election of an Assembly President.

Virtually all the issues going up this autumn have been before the Assembly in previous years, some of them since the first year of the UN.

These old controversies include the Balkan case, the Palestine issue, the Korean situation, the deadlock on atomic energy, the disposition of the former Italian colonies and the cause of alleged violations of human rights in Bulgaria and Hungary.

The President of the Assembly last year and this spring was Dr. Herbert V. Evatt, Australian Foreign Minister. He is planning to attend this session but elections in Australia may keep him at home.

General Romulo, a veteran of UN meetings, served in the last Assembly as Chairman of the Special Political Committee of 57 members.

After the session, several delegates complimented General Romulo on the speed with which he pushed a number of tough items through the Committee. The Philippine delegate left this week for Manila where, it is reported, he will work on forming an anti-Communist line-up growing out of the recent conferences between the President of the Philippines and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. He is expected to return to the UN headquarters in ample time for the Assembly. Associated Press.

HEAT WAVE IN NEW YORK

New York, July 22.
Pavements and tempers buckled today in the fourth day of the blistering New York heat wave. The Weather Bureau said the temperature hit 90 degrees Fahrenheit at 4 p.m.

Coney Island and Rockaway Beach are crowded with nearly 1,000,000 refugees from the heat. Many office workers were sent home early. Truck tires left tread marks in the asphalt. New Yorkers were instructed to conserve water. United Press.

"This is the way the pyramids were built—with slave labour," he stated. "The carrying out of impressive development schemes in the Soviet Union is so like the building of the pyramids as to make no difference."

Mr. Smith was speaking soon after the British delegation had issued two documents—one a translation of the Russian Penal Code dealing with forced labour and the other giving British comments on it.

Britain's delegation to the United Nations Economic and Social Council produced photostat copies of a section of the Russian penal code headed "Corrections of Labour" with an English translation.

A British statement followed the document seeking to prove from the Code that the penal policy is nothing but a system of forced labour.

The photostat extract from the Russian Penal Code issued here today contained a paragraph warning that as far as is known it has not been officially published in English and, therefore, the translation can not be considered authoritative.

Three Types

The Soviet Code lays down three types of "corrective" labour: at the workers' normal place of employment; in exile, and in a place of detention.

From this the British statement drew the conclusion that there is thus forced labour within and without loss of freedom in Soviet Russia.

The Soviet document said that the penal policy in Russia is to prevent harm being inflicted on Socialist reconstruction condemned to socially useful and to re-educate and adapt the work.

Great emphasis is laid in the Soviet Code on the fact that "the corrective labour policy of the proletarian State may not be accompanied by the infliction of physical suffering or the lowering of human dignity."

The Soviet Code gave no details of the nature of the offences for which a Russian citizen might be sentenced to corrective labour.

The British statement, however, quoted from a Supreme Soviet decree of 1940 defining

Like Prison

The Soviet statement lays down certain punishments for "malicious evasion" of corrective labour, the most serious of which is detention. It gives a list of regulations at the "places of detention."

The British statement said that these conditions are difficult to distinguish from those obtaining in prisons.

The British statement said that the main purpose of the Russian forced labour system is to ensure that the Soviet Government could undertake at cut rates as regards wages the great engineering works and heavy industry demanded by the Five-Year plans.

"Thus the Soviet Government contrives by force to use cheap or unpaid labour in competition with the labour of those countries which pay a reasonable wage and which employ a few men living in normal conditions," it concluded.—Reuter.

Moscow's Attack On The Vatican

London, July 22.

Moscow radio said today that the Vatican has placed the "enormous ramified propaganda machinery of the Catholic Church at the service of the cold war which the Anglo-American reactionaries are waging."

The Vatican decree excommunicating Communist Catholics is one more Vatican contribution to this cold war, Soviet commentator Boris Isakov said.

He said: "Pope Pius and his Cardinals are launching the hammerblow against any Catholics fighting warmongers and who support peace and Democracy. The Vatican reactionary wants to split the united front of the people fighting for peace against Anglo-American warmongers. But this manoeuvre is doomed to failure."

The commentator said: "The Vatican never employed excommunication against Hitler or Mussolini and in fact treated the two dictators as patrons."—United Press.

South Molton Thanks HK



The citizens of South Molton, in Devonshire, recently said "thank you, Hong Kong" for gift food from the Colony distributed from the Town Hall. In this picture are Mr. Shum Chai-sang, managing director of the "Overseas Chinese Daily News" in Hong Kong, and Mr. Zealand Kwong, news editor of the "Kung Sheng Yat Po," and Mr. George Lambert MP. The two Chinese newsmen were on a tour of Britain.

NEW PRAGUE MOVE AGAINST BISHOPS

Prague, July 22.

Authoritative Catholic Church sources here today denied a report that Czechoslovak bishops had issued a new letter to the clergy.

It had been reported that the letter set out the terms for an agreement with the State and demanded that the Government should not protect members of the Communist-backed Catholic Action Movement.

One authority here said the report appears to be a "provocation" which would enable the Government to accuse the bishops of issuing a statement without the required approval from the Ministry of Education, and which, by implying a threat against members of the Catholic Church at the service of the cold war which the Anglo-American reactionaries are waging.

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A correspondent who attempted to visit the Archbishop of Prague, Dr. Joseph Beran, in the past two days, met an armed policeman patrolling outside his Palace.

Locked Door

In the entrance of the passage to the Palace plain clothes police watched visitors. An enquiry about the Archbishop was refused, and the Government official in the consistory office refused to receive the correspondent.

Churchmen who visited the Archbishop have been admitted by an officer who unlocked a door to the Archbishop's apartments, and who locked the door again when the visitors left.

Telephone enquiries to the Palace today were answered by the statement: "The Archbishop does not receive enquiries by telephone or personally, especially from Western correspondents."

From a usually well-informed source, it was learned today that Father Ludvik Smrzlik, the young priest who was arrested on July 7 while crossing the street between a convent and the Papal Nunciature in Prague, is in solitary confinement in Prague's Bix Pankraz Prison.

New Decree

Before he left Prague, the Vatican's representative, Monsignor Gennaro Verolino, protested against the arrest of Smrzlik. The case may be reviewed with the Czechoslovak Foreign Ministry when Monsignor Verolino's successor, Monsignor Paolo Bertolini, secures the visa that he requires to come to Prague.

Today's issue of the Government Gazette for the Catholic clergy—the only publication recognised by the lay authorities as

Soviet Protest Ignored

Rome, July 23.

Italy's Chamber of Deputies today ignored a protest from Soviet Russia and approved the North Atlantic treaty 323 to 100.

Approval by the Senate, expected by a slighter margin, will complete Parliamentary ratification. The signature of President Luigi Einaudi will make it official.

Russia charged on Wednesday—in notes to the U.S., Britain, France and Italy—that Italy violated terms of her peace treaty when her government signed the Atlantic pact by invitation of the Western powers. The United States, Britain and France were accused of responsibility.

The Soviet argument was that the North Atlantic treaty, which binds 12 Western European and American nations to oppose aggression, is really aggressive and aimed at Russia and her satellites.

The Russian notes said that, in signing the peace treaty, Italy pledged not to do anything against the other signatory nations (which includes Russia) and consequently not to join any alliance or groupings pursuing aggressive aims.—Associated Press

valid for the issue of Church orders—published a decree from the Ministry of Finance, cutting down the terms for payment of travelling expenses for clergy giving religious instructions in schools.

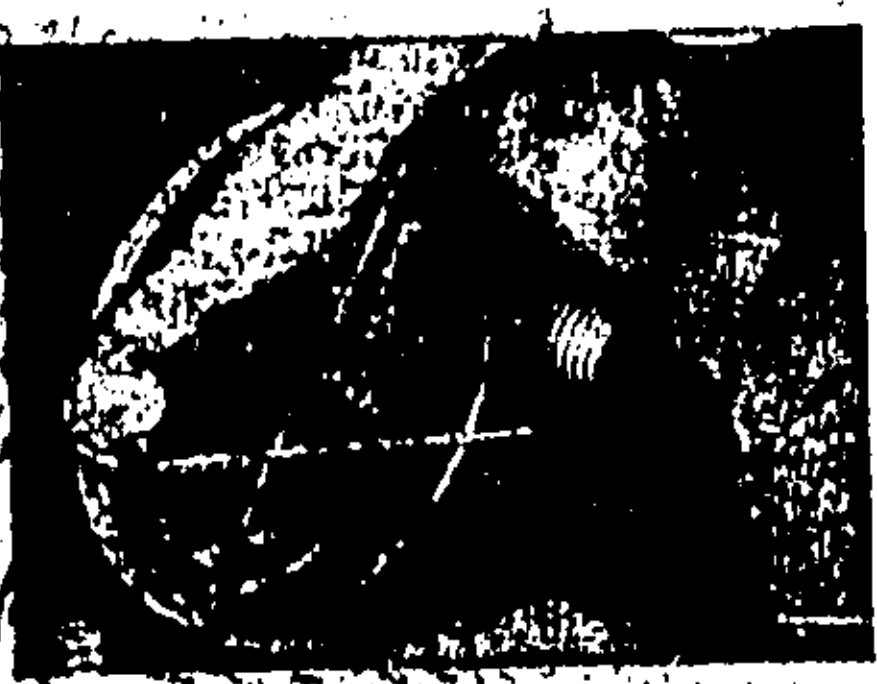
They are to be paid monthly and on the same basis as civil servants.—Reuter.

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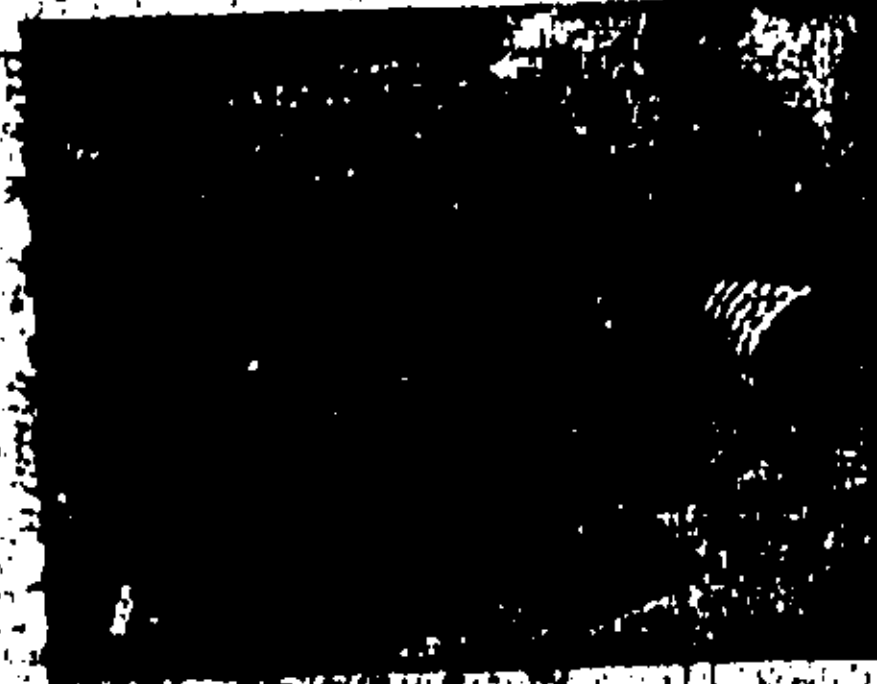
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BRITAIN'S DOLLAR CRISIS

By ANTHONY MARLOWE, K.C., M.P.

What does the dollar crisis mean to the man in the United Kingdom?

In ordinary language, which you don't hear from the experts, they are living beyond their means. To all of us who live by working, our means are what we earn. What we earn is what we are paid for the work we do.

Take the simple case of the man who is paid directly in proportion to the work he does—a plumber, for example. There are certain items he must pay each week—the rent, the food bill, light and heat, insurance, taxation, fares.

If he is to meet these commitments he must do enough plumbing to earn the required amount. If this can be done only by working six days a week, and he cuts down to a five-day week, he is immediately living beyond his means because his work is not keeping up with his payments. In other words, his balance of payments has got out of gear.

Now Britain has to earn dollars. Therefore, we must do enough work to earn the dollars required to meet our payments. Why, then, does the average man say "well, well, remembering that the great majority of us have never seen a dollar, and have no particular yearning to do so."

The reason is that America and Canada are among the great world sources of supply and we must buy certain things from them. Therefore our work must earn dollars to pay for the goods we buy from the dollar countries.

If we do not do enough work to be able to export as much as we import, then there is obviously a gap, just as there is if the plumber does not balance his weekly accounts. That is the gap Sir Stafford Cripps is worrying about.

Widening Gap

Another mistake the plumber can make is charging too much. If other plumbers can be engaged for less, our particular plumber may find the demand for his labour dropping, and, once again, his income and expenditure will be out of balance. This, says Sir Stafford, is what we are doing, and is one of the causes of the crisis.

The gap which the Chancellor quite properly regards as terrifying is £157,000,000 in the three months ending June 30. If the plumber has a gap he may carry on for a while on his savings, but when they are exhausted he is in a bad way. That is our position now.

The gap is widening at the rate of £157,000,000 a quarter, or more than £600,000,000 a year. Our savings are down to £400,000,000 which is £100,000,000 below the safety line.

The Treasury has frequently made it clear that the necessary minimum working capital, which is not difficult to believe when you recall that this amount is equivalent to only one-sixth (or two months) of the present year's Budget.

Quite clearly something has gone wrong with the planners' plan. The last quarter's gap at £157,000,000 is £44,000,000 more than the £113,000,000 estimated in the Economic Survey published only a few months ago. An error of some 30 per cent, in figures of this magnitude requires some explanation.

What does Sir Stafford say we must do? He says we are like the plumber who is charging too much, we must cut the costs of the manufactured goods we send for export. He does not say where the cut is to be made.

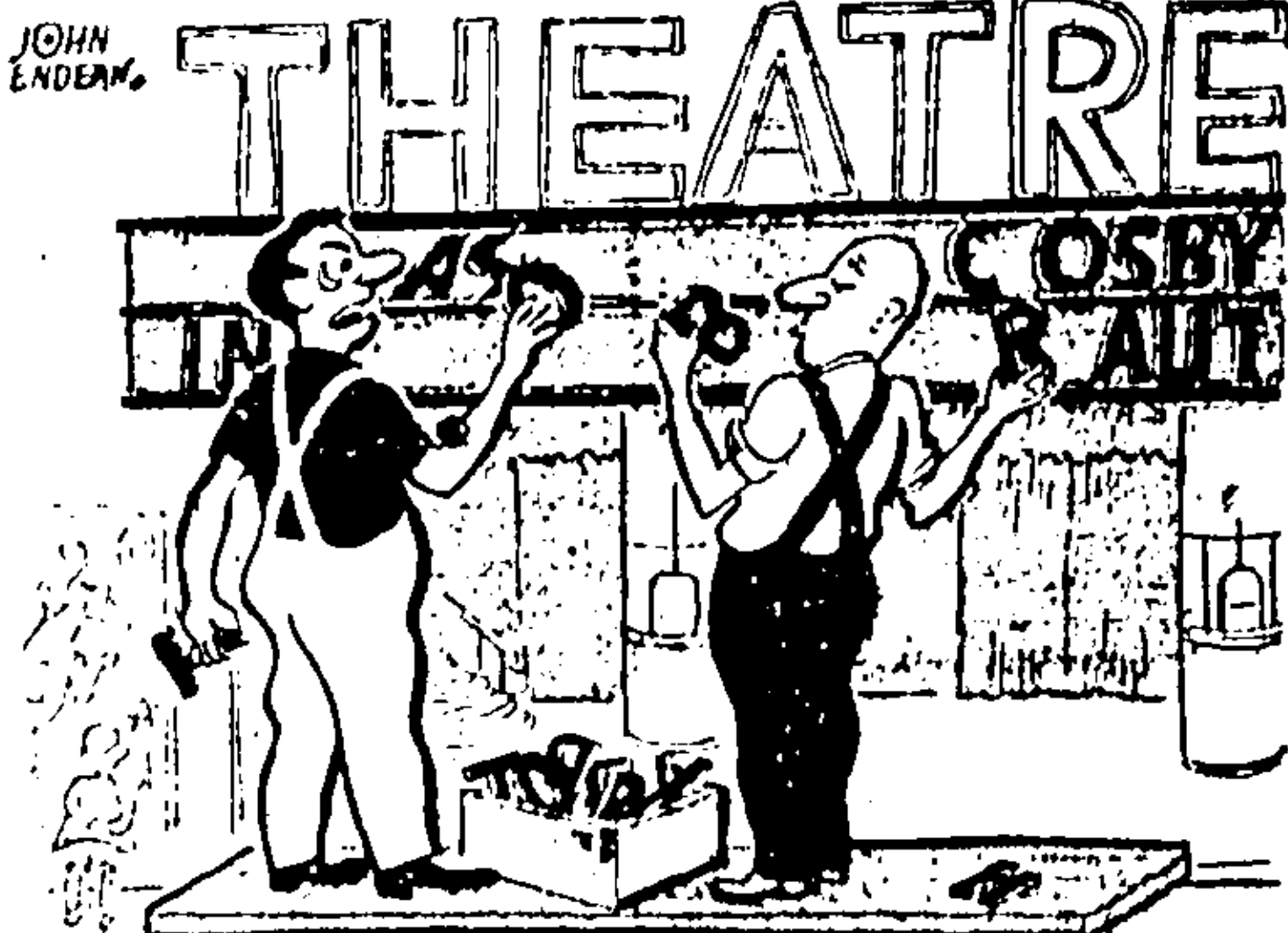
Those Profits

Many Socialists (not Sir Stafford) imagine that the industrialist is getting too much for himself, but numbers of firms have published their figures and

the Treasury keeps a close eye on them.

Profits represent a negligible proportion of product on costs. They have already been cut to the bone. If they were abolished altogether they would not close the gap nor would Sir Stafford get any taxation revenue out of them to pay for the Welfare State.

Where else can costs be cut? Wages? I hardly imagine the Government advocating this in the offing. Raw materials? Many of these are imported, and we have no say in the costs. Many others are Government-controlled. The raw material for newspapers—pulp for newsprint—has been bought from the Government at a controlled price. The Government makes a handsome profit on the deal.



"I wish you'd shut up—I can't get a word in edgewise!"

There remain only taxation and the other allied burdens which industry has to bear. In his statement the Chancellor gave no hint of any cut in this quarter. Why not? Because, as we have seen, it is part of the Socialist doctrine of fair shares for all.

Out of this taxation the State dentists are getting their £7,000 a year and more. It is this taxation which is paying for the wages and food so that the Socialist can say they kept these cheap. It is paying for the swollen staffs who operate controls, and the snoopers who enforce them; it is meeting the losses on nationalised industries.

Sir Stafford has so far taken only one action to stop the gap widening. He has ordered a switch on imports from dollar countries, except in respect of existing contracts.

When these have run out, mostly in a few months, there is every sign that dollar imports will be again drastically reduced. This, he hopes, can be done without causing unemployment. For his hopes will be disappointed. Millions of people in this country work with raw materials imported from dollar sources. If the raw materials are not available there will be no work for them to do.

It is easy to give examples, but let one suffice. If timber from Canada does not come in, the building programme must be cut down, and there will be unemployment in the building trade.

Back To 1945

Many of the millions of pounds earned weekly by those in the building trade are spent on keeping others in employment. They, too, will feel the impact, though

they may not be directly engaged in foreign trade.

I hope Sir Stafford is right in thinking he can check unemployment, but it is hard to see how. In any event, he agrees that the ban on imports will reduce the standard of living. That is to say, Britain will not be able to get some of the things they have been getting.

Here we are, therefore, back at the American Loan stage of 1945, back at the Marshall Aid stage of 1948. Twice the Government has escaped the consequences of living beyond its means by getting American help. Are they hoping to do it again? I should say it looks very likely. Probably the standard order on imports is the first move, intended to emphasise to the Americans that we shall not buy from them again until they put us in funds. It is the situation which arises at poker when one man has got all the chips. Either the game must stop, or the winner must agree to dole out the chips again.

This time, however, the Ameri-

Their Majesties' Tradesmen

By KENNETH MASON

By appointment! While Americans are introducing new techniques in the arts of buying and selling, one of the most coveted hallmarks in Britain, of soundness and reliability, is still the warrant which is issued to "Their Majesties' Tradesmen" and which entitles 1,500 warrant-holders to display the Royal Arms on their shops, vans and stationery. Holders must qualify for the distinction by at least three years of quality service to a member of the Royal family or to the Royal household.

A Norfolk reed thatcher, Mr. R. W. Farman, of North Walsham, who works on the Sandringham estate, is one of them. His is a trade in which expert men are scarce. Farman's London agents share the honour with Mr. C. J. Kite, the Windsor chimney sweep; Mr. J. Findlay, of Ballater, the taxidermist, who stuffs the Royal trophies from Balmoral; John Curtis, who supplies kippers from the Isle of Wight; and Whitstable oyster and Morecambe shrimp purveyors.

Warrant holders in the Empire include an Ontario supplier of Canadian Club whisky; Benares and Delhi jewellers; silvermiths in Montreal and Shanghai; and a lace-maker in Malta.

The Warrants are sent out from the Privy Purse, and become invalid only on the death, retirement or bankruptcy of the holder. All are sworn not to reveal the list, and orders of the Royal family, and it is emphasised to all holders that the high privilege carries no rights.

Although there are no actual records of the first warrant holder, it is believed that the privilege to display the Royal Arms was first granted in 1703.

The Keeper of the Privy Purse has the responsibility of seeing that warrant holders surrender their warrants upon the demise of the Sovereign.

They may be renewed or may be allowed to lapse, in which case the Royal Arms may no longer be displayed.

The Trade Marks Act of 1905 provides against the unlawful use of the Royal Warrant. The Crown may proceed against shops or businesses usurping this privilege, but outside the British Empire there is some difficulty in obtaining restraint against its use.

For instance, in America the familiar Royal shield, with its supporting Lion and Unicorn, has been used in trade designs, though without the essential words "By Appointment."

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The Disappearing Airfield

By KATHLEEN HICKLEY

(This is the last in a series of articles in which an English woman describes a car journey from Shanghai into the interior of China. —The Editor)

An airfield that disappears for four months of the year, is one of the most notable features of Chungking, China's cheerless wartime capital, and is well in keeping with the general standard of internal affairs.

It is situated on an island in the middle of the Yangtze river, and is hemmed in by a ring of mountains. In springtime, the melting snows in the hills, together with the heavy seasonal rains, cause the river to rise spectacularly and gradually swamp the island.

The airport officials have now worked the whole thing out to a fine art, and when the water has reached a certain landmark they begin to take down the terminal buildings and move them over to the mainland, to be stored until the airstrip is serviceable again.

This is not so difficult as it sounds, and does not involve blasting operations or the use of heavy transport, as the buildings consist wholly of bamboo.

They are cleverly constructed: first the framework of bamboo poles is erected and slats are put in for the roof structures, then they are covered with scores of rush strips similar to the mats commonly used in Hong Kong.

By a complicated method of ropes and pulleys any one of these strips may be rolled back to admit light and air. There are even glass windows in some of the offices.

The main building is the waiting room, and is a sizeable affair. This is a favourite meeting place on Sunday mornings when the local people get together and take a cup of coffee, or a plate of mien.

Radio Facilities

The radio facilities at the airport are extremely limited, which leads to a certain amount of confusion and uncertainty regarding the whereabouts of an aircraft.

In the time-honoured Chinese manner, no official is going to admit he does not know anything, so if you are waiting for your plane and ask five different uniformed dignitaries what time it is due to arrive, you are more

than likely to receive five different answers.

It is a common thing to wait anything up to three hours for your particular flight to come in.

I unreservedly doff my hat to the pilots who use the airstrip I have never seen anything quite so hair-raising in my life as the take-off.

The runway itself is adequate for Dakotas, but once he is airborne the pilot has to make a high-tension cable stretching across the river, and a mountain range which, to my favored imagination, seemed to begin right at the end of the runway.

He does this by banking dizzily away to the left when he is a few feet off the ground, and following the line of the tunnel formed by the mountains.

The plane rises at an unbelievably steep angle, then claws its way into the air.

When we left, we taxied up to the end of this strip, and during the usual running up of the engines, both my husband and I were a little disconcerted to hear the port engine misfire violently.

For one moment it seemed as though the pilot was going to chance it, but we should have known better for he was a competent young American-trained Chinese with an excellent record, and five minutes later we were all asked to leave the plane.

This meant a two hours delay, and as the plane was already an hour late in arriving, we eventually got away at one o'clock instead of 10 in the morning.

In order to refuel the aircraft, relays of sweating coolies carry 50 gallon drums of petrol along a narrow catwalk from the mainland.

This is a precarious pontoon bridge that sways and creaks alarmingly, and the coolies go over at a coolie trot with the drums suspended on a bamboo pole carried over their shoulders.

If you happen to get in their way it is too bad as they are carried along by their own momentum, and do not care to stop in a hurry.

I jolly speculated what would happen if part of the pontoon bridge came adrift, and floated away down the creek, as it appeared quite likely to do at any time.

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EMERGENCY PREPARATIONS

One has only to read the daily headlines to know that the Communists have at least a chance of reaching Canton and the Hong Kong border next month, as they are said to have claimed. They are now only three or four hundred miles away, and unless an unexpectedly determined last minute stand is made by the Nationalists, there seems little to stop them.

This, if it happens, will not by any means imply complete control of China, but it will mean possession of the large cities, hostile forces on the other side of the New Territories, and probably another large influx of evacuees into the Colony. We all know that, but conditions here are still stable, food and consumer goods are plentiful, and we carry on with only a slight underlying tinge of nervousness. This situation could change quickly, however, and it is doubtful if the bulk of the population would be psychologically ready to meet sudden new conditions.

Admittedly the defence authorities are preparing, quietly and efficiently, for every eventuality, and they do not court publicity for all their activities. This might raise local morale, but could be construed by others as unduly provocative. So we are usually given the facts, but only piecemeal, and there can be little complaint about this. Little, however, is heard from other departments about what is being done to anticipate any emergency. What will be the position regarding fresh meat and vegetables, for instance? It is true that the Reds may be willing to allow such products to be sent here, but there will be an inevitable period of confusion after military activity. These are essentials, and any scarcity will force prices up and on, unless some efficient rationing scheme has been made ready. Rice may either be plentiful supply or accessible by sea, but turbulent times have their impact on this staple commodity.

While not being too popular here normally, tinned meats and vegetables would become greatly enhanced in value in the event of dislocation of fresh supplies. Are these to be allowed to skyrocket in price or become a matter for speculation by profiteers? Perhaps an entire rationing and food control scheme has already been worked out, but if so we have not heard of it. And on what principle would rations be allocated? It would be interesting to know what qualifications would be expected: for instance, what is the procedure for dealing with transients and newly-arrived evacuees?

We do not consider, in view of all the possibilities, that government has been wise in removing the restrictions on water. Annoying though these may be, it is better to continue the inconvenience of the night stoppage than to encounter severe cuts in the months ahead. Certainly we have no need for alarm at the moment, and the authorities may feel that too frequent harping on precautionary measures would result in a lowering of morale. On the other hand, periodic responsible statements, such as issued by the defence chiefs, could not but be reassuring in the event of trouble of one kind or another being foreseen. It is better to condition the people gradually than to spring a sudden blow on emergency on them overnight.

FREEDOM OF THE PRESS

The well-written and exhaustive Report of the Royal Commission on the Press should be read, marked, learned and inwardly digested by every citizen who wants to form a fair and instructed opinion on a most important subject.

But, as things have turned out, the appointment of the Commission has resulted in conclusions of great value, though by no means altogether comforting to those who asked for it. Seldom has the engineer been so isolated with his own petard. Since a bulky Blue Book is seldom read in original, the following extracts from the Report are worth repeating here:

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The broad conclusion of the Commission is that these propositions are unfounded. The British Press comes out of the ordeal with a verdict in its favour.

The Charges

Mr. Asquith's opinion on this subject was expressed with his customary choice of diction: "The Tory Press is the most profligate in the world. What else could be expected from those who are 'born to rule'?"

In the debate on the motion calling for a Royal Commission, of course, the language of the Left wing was more restrained but the case sought to be made was that a monopoly in newspapers was extending, that in many towns provincial newspapers belonging to proprietors in London were forced into a uniformity not only of policy but of contents, and that the concentration of newspaper ownership in the hands of a few men was being used to suppress opinion and to distort news, and that the quality of British journalism was being steadily degraded.

It is fair to add that Mr. Douglas, a private Member of the House of Commons, while himself affirming his belief in some of this criticism, strongly argued that the proper inquiry should be before itself, can only be imperfectly attained.

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RUSSIA AND HER SATELLITES

By SCRUTATOR

Limited as the news is which comes through to us from behind the Iron Curtain, we can see that Russia is having serious difficulties with the belt of countries whom she has quasi-annexed.

These difficulties spring from two roots—military and religious. On the military side she claims to treat the armies of her satellite Powers as her own, and expects them in war to come unreservedly under the order of her High Command.

In conformity with this they are told that there is only one foreign policy for all Communist countries: to comply with Russian foreign policy. It is framed without consulting them, but they must be ready in the last soldier to pay its tolls.

This is the doctrine against which Marshal Tito is in revolt in Yugoslavia, and for doubting which such leading Communists as Mr. Gromyko in Poland and Mr. Rak in Hungary have been dismissed and disgraced.

All three men had been built up as national heroes in the eyes of their countrymen, and their subsequent disavowal cannot make for edification. Moreover their line of thought carries a popular appeal. The Yugoslavs see themselves as a nation of warriors who when operating on their own soil with tactics shaped to fit its rough contours have time and again defeated superior forces. They can hardly relish the prospect of being enlisted by Russian generals as cannon-fodder in a foreign campaign.

Nor can the Poles or the Magyars or even the Rumanians. They all know that Russian generals are more pragmatic of their soldiers' lives than any others, and are not likely to be less so when they command non-Russian troops.

Tito's Danger

How far this cleavage may extend, it is impossible for us outside the Curtain to judge. The Russians are making no compromise about it. They insist rigidly on their point of view, and root out ruthlessly as "nationalists" those who will not accept it. Only those who have the courage to stand up to them, though still "enemies" after more than a year's communication, are in an extremely difficult position. We only have to look at the fate of the Czechs, who were once the most trusted ally of the Russians, to see the danger.

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In a democracy such as ours what was really wanted was a sufficiency of serious newspapers which held and presented in their leading articles alternative points of view. In that I think he was entirely right.

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The public can dismiss any misgivings that the Press is mysterious, opaque and controlled by hidden influences. The Report, however, is no mere whitewashing document. This British Press is part of our political machinery, and much of its politics is partisan. It is a highly competitive industry, the principle of whose being is to maintain high circulation. Nothing is more revealing to the ordinary reader than the way in which the Report demonstrates that the copy of the newspaper which he buys costs more to produce than what he pays for it. The profits arise from advertisement revenue.

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LENGTHENING SHADOWS OVER 'ENGLAND'S BACKBONE'

By GEORGE MURRAY

When Mr. Herbert Morrison makes his appeals for the middle-class vote he is battling on a pretty good wicket.

For, as a party manager, he should know that the majority of British people are either middle-class, or think they are middle-class, or want to be middle-class.

In fact there are about 16,000,000 to 18,000,000 people in the middle-classes (upper-middles and lower-middles) who comprise some 34 per cent of the population, against 24 per cent of the working-class, and two per cent of the upper-class.

But in a Gallup Poll taken in 1948 no fewer than 47 per cent of those questioned claimed to be long to the middle-classes, against only 46 per cent for the working class.

White Collars

These figures are given in a book on this fascinating subject called *The English Middle-Classes*, published recently.

To belong to that central stratum of society is the unspoken ambition of many working men and women, and Socialism helps towards that end by creating vast new numbers of white-collared public servants.

"Although there has been much inverted snobbery, in the idealisation of the English working-class, the whole idea behind English reform has been that the proletarian should be turned into something middle-class."

Ironically enough the Labour leader, Mr. Attlee, is a typical middle-class man, which is why he won the last election. He approaches somewhat more nearly to the middle-class norm than does Mr. Churchill, and he won a great many votes simply by being himself.

Who are these middle-classes—these makers and breakers of Governments, the backbone of England, and the mid-cow for rapacious Chancellors?

They comprise the professions, businessmen, managers above the grade of foremen, most farmers, the majority of the public service, the majority of shopkeepers, most clerks, and other non-manual workers, and some independent craftsmen.

Indefinite Rule

But there are no hard and fast rules. Income is a rough guide, but forms no absolute dividing line. The influence of heredity, environment, and education comes into it. Speech and clothes are other indications.

The truth is that "the English middle-class" had, and have, no frontiers; they were, and are, the recruiting ground of talent, the natural social ladder of all who have capacity for leadership in the widest meaning of the word.

"The English middle-classes are what they are by virtue not of trade but of organisation, not of property but of independence, not by virtue of power but by government; not solely because they wanted to have but because they wanted to be."

In other words, the middle-classes will survive here because they are the essential England, the stiff upper lip, and all that. Maybe when the Western Brothers cry "Play up, you cads!" they are, unawares, uttering a profound sentiment which has made England what she is, and will keep her that way.

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 publish what you will (subject to the law of defamation and sedition) is the life-blood of the British newspaper; and that the British Press is inferior to none in the world.

Nevertheless, they go on with it, just as they go on with their campaign against "nationalism"; convinced, apparently, that if they want to consolidate the military adjunct to the Soviet satellite countries as an effective Empire they must rely on main force and a high hand to do it.

Freedom of religion being guaranteed by a number of public documents, including the peace treaties signed by Rumania, Bulgaria, and Hungary as ex-enemy countries, the Communist Governments have resorted, not to prohibition, but to persecution.

Congregations are terrorised, clergy dragged, arrested, thrown into prison on secular charges (of conspiracy, or espionage, or currency dealings, or what not), while at the same time bogus associations of churchmen are built-up to be the mouthpieces of the Communist demands.

To enforce surrender, the policy has been to bring the arrested clergy to a sham trial, where they can be first humiliated, then sentenced. Earlier this year we saw this exemplified in Hungary by the Mindszenty trial, in Rumania by the trial of the Protestant pastors, and now we seem likely before long to see it in Czechoslovakia, where a struggle has been going on for many weeks between the Communists and the head of the Roman Catholic episcopate, Archbishop Beran.

The British and American Governments have taken one step. The peace treaties provide a machinery, in the event of their breach, for an American-British-Rumanian consultation. We asked the Rumanian Government to deal with breaches by Rumania, Bulgaria, and Hungary, and the Rumanian Government refused to do so.

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Suffering Most

Yet they are suffering the most from the economic disruptions of the war.

The Economist estimated in January 1948 that the real net level of wage earnings has fallen by between 10 and 35 per cent since before the war. But a corresponding figure for the representative salary income would show a loss of anything from 20 to 30 per cent in real net purchasing power.

It has been calculated that while the working-class cost of living rose by 75 per cent from 1938 to 1948, the average middle-class cost of living rose by 80 per cent, and that of the upper-middle-class (£500 a year and upwards) by 90 per cent.

"In 1939 I had a salary of £300 a year," said one man. "We ran a small car, we lived in a modern flat, we threw occasional parties, we danced regularly, we could even enjoy an occasional pub-crawl."

"Now, on £600 a year, we have no car. We live in a semi-underground rabbit-warren that costs two guineas a week (the flat cost 25s.). We do not drink or give parties, we go to a cinema once a week, and we smoke 30 cigarettes a day between us."

Education Cost

Those sentences contain the heart-cry of the middle-classes. The cost of educating their children, always high, is now higher than ever but somehow they still manage it. The cost of domestic service is, for the majority of them, prohibitive, even if it were obtainable.

The middle-classes also watch with apprehension the approach of old age.

What is to be their future? We have seen how, in Europe, the process of squeezing out the middle-classes has led to revolt and to Fascism. Will the frustration now being felt here lead to a similar result? The authors of this book think not.

Never Continental

They say: "A study of the reactions of the English middle-classes leaves one distrustful of comparisons with the reactions of Continental bourgeoisies. For the circumstances to which our middle-classes react are never quite Continental (and never quite American); the backgrounds of tradition and culture differ significantly. England will perhaps preserve her from the worst exasperations of class-consciousness and from the resentments which threaten to tear her to pieces."

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FIRST INSIDE STORY OF COMMUNIST COUP IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Frankfurt, July 22.

Jaromir Smutney, former chief of the Czechoslovak Chancellery, telling the first inside story of the Communist coup in Prague last year, said today that President Eduard Benes could do little to prevent it because the Army was infiltrated with Communist agents.

The late President stayed in office in the hope that a compromise between a Soviet totalitarian regime and Democracy was possible, but in the end he felt that Czechoslovakia had been sacrificed for Democracy. Mr. Smutney said.

Mr. Smutney, who recently fled to the American zone of Germany, told a press conference here that it was his personal opinion that the Czech Foreign Minister, Mr. Jan Masaryk, who fell from a window to his death the month after the Communist coup, did not commit suicide.

NEW LOAN TO THE UK RULED OUT

Ottawa, July 22.

The Canadian Finance Minister, Mr. Douglas C. Abbott, today ruled out any further Canadian loan to Britain as an answer to the United Kingdom dollar crisis.

Mr. Abbott told a news conference that Britain's answer lies within her own economy. In her ability to produce goods that will sell at competitive prices anywhere in the world.

He said he will lay before the Cabinet proposals for the long-term solution of the dollar problem obtained at the London Commonwealth conference.

Mr. Abbott reiterated the warning that his country must expect sharp declines in sterling purchases of her products.

He added that Canada is not considering devaluation of the dollar.

In London, the Treasury declined comment tonight on the announcement that Canada has ruled out any further loans to Britain.

Canada lent Britain \$1,250,000, 000 in 1946, at the same time the United States lent her \$3,750,000,000.—Associated Press.

Exercises In Japan

Tokyo, July 23.

Tokyo and other undisclosed places in the American Far East Command will be "bombed" by fighter-supported B-29s from Guam between July 25 and July 30 in a one-day training exercise of the U.S. Far East Air Forces, it was announced today.

The exact date of the large-scale battle exercise, testing both Air Force and anti-aircraft units, was not announced.

Air Force units on Okinawa, Luzon and the Japanese Islands will be joined by the Eighth Army's 40th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Brigade in defence of American-held areas on the rim of the U.S. Far East base system.

Aerial photographs rather than bomb bursts will record the effectiveness of the attack.

Jet propelled F-80 Shooting Stars, wartime and revised B-29 Super-fortresses, fighter planes and attack bombers will participate, the Air Forces said.—United Press.

BRITAIN'S TARIFFS PROPOSALS

Annecy, July 22.

A British proposal to the 34-nation Tariff and Trade Conference here to hasten international control of commodity prices found considerable support.

A conference spokesman said that France particularly welcomed the proposal but the United States, as had been expected, opposed it.

Britain's proposal was contained in a draft protocol to bring into independent effect the changes in primary commodities in the International Trade Charter, drawn up at Havana last year, but not yet in force.

This chapter would permit international measures to prevent big price fluctuations in commodities such as tea, coffee, rubber and tin.

Britain has been losing heavily in dollars through price drops in all these items.

The effect of the British proposal would be to allow such devices as price support or the withholding of supplies by international agreement.

The American representative is understood to have told the conference that the United States thinks it inadvisable to urge enforcement of the commodity chapter alone, especially as Congress has not yet discussed the Havana Charter as a whole.

The conference decided to set up a Working Party to report back to its Executive Committee on the British proposal by August 1.—Reuter.

Security Council Meeting

Lake Success, July 22.

The Security Council will meet on Wednesday to consider the application of the tiny Principality of Liechtenstein to be a party to the Statute of the International Court of Justice. Mr. Byron Price, acting Secretary General of the United Nations, announced today.

Mr. Price also announced that the United Nations Korea Commission had adopted a resolution asking that Mr. Miguel A. Hagan, the member from El Salvador, who recently resigned without explanation, return until the present phase of the Commission's work is completed.

Mr. Price has forwarded the resolution to the Foreign Minister of El Salvador.

Dr. Ralph Bunche, the United Nations acting Palestine Mediator, will submit a report to the Security Council on the armistice agreements have been concluded between Israel and her Arab neighbours.

The Security Council will then decide whether or not Dr. Bunche is to continue in his present capacity.

Mr. Price said that it now appears that the Palestine refugee relief programme will be able to continue into September. France and New Zealand have indicated that they will contribute additional funds to the relief group while the Arab States have pledged more contributions, he said.

The Secretary-General had recently sent appeals to member Governments to contribute more money in order to ensure the continuation of the relief programme until the Assembly takes further action in September.—Reuter.

Two More Frigates For The Far East

Malta, July 22.

The Navy frigates Cardigan Bay and St. Bride's Bay are to leave Malta and the Mediterranean Fleet next Monday for the Far East, Naval Headquarters here announced today.

They are described as part of the reinforcements which Mr. A. V. Alexander, Defence Minister, referred to in the House of Commons on June 22.

The 27,000-ton transport Georgic sailed today for Hong Kong with the main body and equipment of the Third Royal Marine Commando Brigade. Troops on board include 40 and 42 Commando. The 45 Commando, at present in the Middle East, will be embarked at Port Said.—Reuter.

U.S. WANTS A NEW SECRET PACT ON URANIUM BUYING

Washington, July 22.

The United States Government is seeking Congressional support for a new secret agreement with Belgium and Britain to continue buying Belgian Congo uranium ore, Reuter learned authoritatively today.

The present secret agreement, which was made in 1944 between the three governments, expires this year, and the Administration wishes to be assured of Congressional support before entering into a new one.

According to usually well-informed sources here, the question of the uranium agreement and not that of the exchange of atomic bomb secrets constituted the major reason for the recent secret meetings of high officials and Congressional leaders on the United States foreign policy which aroused so much speculation.

Earlier this week, great alarm was expressed in Congressional circles at press reports that the United States Government might be planning to give the secret of the technique of manufacturing atomic bombs to Great Britain.

After a meeting of the Senate House Joint Atomic Energy Committee, which was attended by top military and diplomatic officials, Members of Congress appeared satisfied that this is not now contemplated, and no further Congressional meetings have been arranged to discuss the question.

President Truman yesterday threw cold water on the sensational rumours which have circulated since his secret meetings with national leaders at his private residence, Blair House, last week.

He said that the meeting was relatively unimportant which is interpreted here to mean that there is no question of the United States giving away any vital strategic secrets to foreign powers.

It is pointed out here that the British authorities have already announced that they know how to manufacture atomic bombs and that they intend to manufacture them.

Britain may well intend to increase her stocks of uranium ore. The mines in the Belgian Congo, which are among the richest in the world, are partly owned by British private firms.—Reuter.

FIGHT ON STEEL MEASURE

London, July 22.

The Government's intention to go ahead with its Bill to nationalise the iron and steel industry within the lifetime of the present Parliament was reaffirmed today.

It took the form of an amendment to the Bill as altered by the House of Lords, which insists on its operation being postponed until October 1, 1950—after the general election.

When the changes made by the House of Lords are debated by the House of Commons next Monday, the Government will move an amendment to disagree with this.

It is the House of Lords after that still insist on postponement, the Government is expected to force the Bill into law. This can be done automatically under a Bill introduced last year which reduces the House of Lords' delaying powers from two years to one. The Bill would then become law within a year against the wishes of the House of Lords.—Reuter.

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BIG ARMS PLAN FOR DENMARK

Copenhagen, July 22.

The Danish Conservative newspaper B.T. said today that the Danish Government plans to ask the United States for arms worth \$220 million to bring her defences into line with her commitments under the Atlantic Pact.

A spokesman of the Danish Defence Ministry refused to comment on the report. Should Denmark spend \$220 million on arms, it would be the biggest defence programme ever undertaken in the country.—Reuter.

Changes In U.S. Naval Commands

Washington, July 22.

A shift in U.S. Navy command in the Orient, involving a change in designation of forces, was announced today.

In connection with the new set-up, President Truman nominated Rear-Admiral Charles T. Joy for promotion to Vice-Admiral while serving as Commander of Naval Forces in the Far East.

He also nominated Vice-Admiral Russell S. Berkey to continue in that rank while serving as a Task Fleet Commander. Under the shift in command, effective on August 1, Admiral Joy succeeds Admiral Berkey in the Far East Command and Admiral Berkey in effect succeeds Vice-Admiral Oscar C. Badger.—Associated Press.

BEVIN OFF FOR HOLIDAY

London, July 22.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, left Victoria Station on the night ferry train tonight for a holiday in France. Mr. Bevin accompanied him.—Reuter.

STRIKE HOLDS UP AIRCRAFT

New York, July 22.

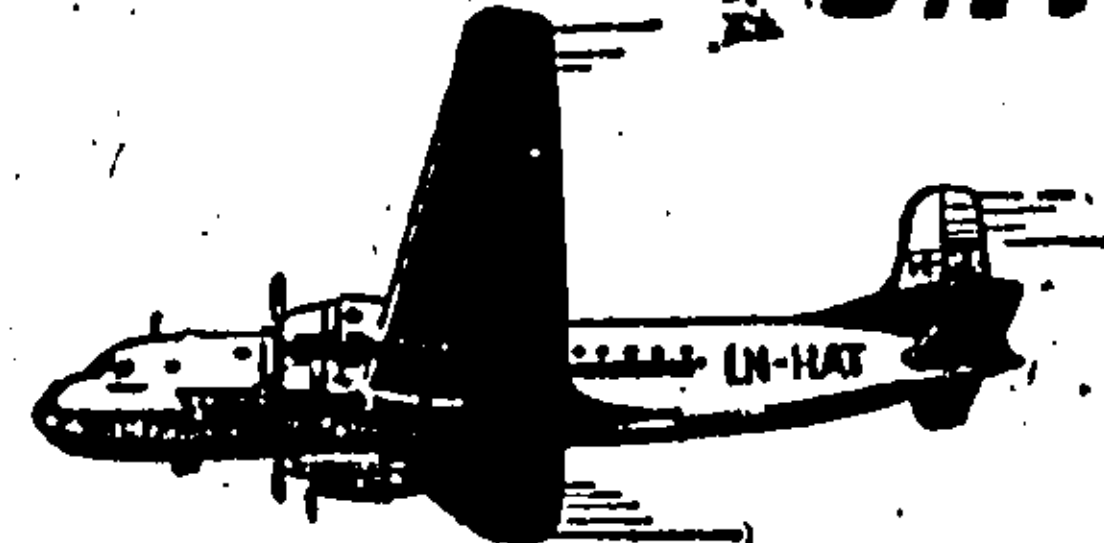
A strike of 72 flight radio officers disrupted operations of American overseas airlines at La Guardia Airport today.

The strike, called yesterday, caused cancellation of all European-bound flights.

The union claims that the Company refused to meet union demands for severance pay, overtime pay in a par with other lines and other benefits.

Mr. Harold R. Harris, Airline General Manager, said that the Company has offered to meet some of the demands and is ready for mediation whenever the men return to work.—Reuter.

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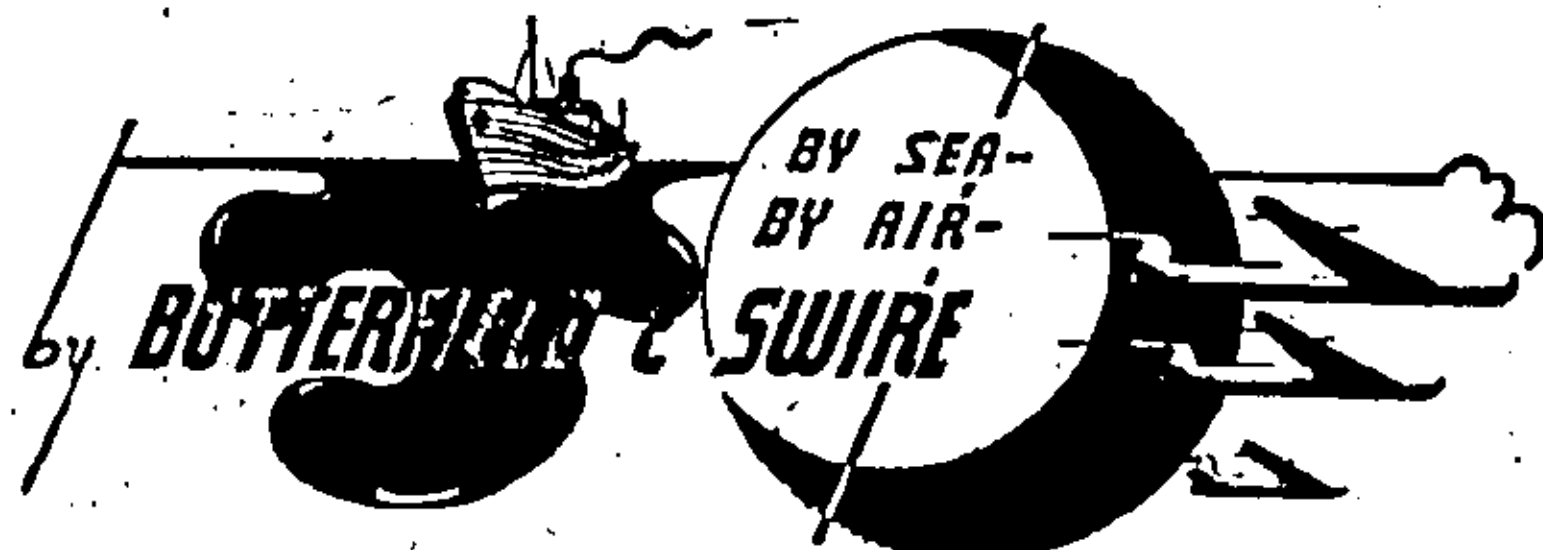
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LONDON DOCK STRIKE LEAVES TRAIL OF UNSETTLED PROBLEMS

London, July 22.

The decision by leaders of the Canadian Seamen's Union to end their strike on two ships in the Port of London opened the way for normal working from next Monday by the 15,656 dockers who drifted from their jobs during the dispute.

Independent observers believe that the dockers will regard this end to the dispute as a triumph for their unofficial leaders in refusing to recommend a return to work as long as they were expected to work the two Canadian ships they regarded as "black."

Though it is a concession by the Canadian seamen and not any weakening by the British authorities which has ended the dispute, the Government and trade unions have been seriously embarrassed.

The dispute is likely to leave a trail of important problems for discussion, touching on the fundamental relationship of the trade union movement to the Labour Government.

Voting unanimously to return to work, a mass meeting of 7,000 dockers insisted that there should be no victimisation, that the holidays with pay provisions suspended before the dispute be immediately operated and that no further look-outs by the employers would be tolerated.

The meeting also demanded the dismissal of the Chairman of the National Dock Labour Board, Lord Ammon.

It said that the Board as now constituted would have to go because its members were incapable and unworthy and put a body of self-selecting capitalists.

The National Dock Labour Board, a Government-appointed body representing employers and trades union, has already clashed with the Cabinet which on Wednesday repudiated its threat that the dockers would lose benefits and rights if they failed to return to work.

Loyalty Was Played Upon

Mr. Ted Dickens, a member of the dockers' "Lock-Out Committee," which organised the men's side of the dispute, told the meeting that his Committee had met members of the Canadian Seamen's Union earlier today to agree on policy.

"As a result of that the Lock-Out Committee has decided to recommend the full resumption of the full resumption of work on Monday, July 25," he said.

Mr. Harry Davies, President of the Canadian Seamen's Union, told the meeting: "This was not a planned conspiracy directed by the Kremlin and Moscow. The responsibility for the strike rests

Deportation Of Agitators

Earlier, Mr. Chuter Ede, the Home Secretary, told Parliament that he had ordered the deportation of three seamen's leaders who flew into London last night from France.

They were Louis Goldblatt, Secretary-Treasurer of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union of the United States, John Maletta, another American seamen's leader, and John Frederick Blam, a member of the Netherlands Federation of Seafarers.

The three men had attended the dockers and seamen's conference at Marseilles last week organised by the Communist-led World Federation of Trades Unions at which a decision was taken to support the Canadian seamen's strike which led to the London dispute.

Mr. Ede told the Commons that he had been satisfied that the three men's visit to Britain was concerned with the dispute at the London docks.

In Montreal, the Canadian Seamen's Union today informed the Canadian Government it has decided to call off the London dockers' strike but added that the strike will continue elsewhere.

The Union Secretary, Mr. T.

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UK Deports Alien Strike Agitators.

London, July 22.—Scotland Yard officials today escorted to London Airport two of the three aliens with Communist affiliations whom the Home Secretary, Mr. James Chuter Ede, earlier ordered to be deported.

John Maletta, who holds an American passport, was put on board an Air France plane which left for Paris. Louis Goldblatt, who also holds an American passport, is leaving on another airliner later today.

"I will be back next week," Mr. Maletta said as he boarded the plane.—Reuter.

Gendarmes Shot In Austria

Vienna, July 23.

An Austrian frontier official claimed today that two Austrian gendarmes who were shot dead on the Austro-Yugoslav frontier on Tuesday night were on Austrian soil at the time and not on Yugoslav territory as the Yugoslav authorities alleged.

Yesterday, a mixed Yugoslav Commission met at the border and signed a document declaring that the two gendarmes had violated Yugoslav territory at Loibl Pass, near Klagenfurt, and had been killed on Yugoslav soil.

Austrian officials said the Austrian members of the Commission were shown the bodies lying five metres inside Yugoslav territory and were told that they would only be handed over if the Austrian members signed the documents.

The Austrians signed in order to get possession of the bodies for further inquiries. Later, officials said that they had found blood spots and cartridge cases on the Austrian side.

A post-mortem showed that the men were shot from a distance and that their own rifles had not been used.—Reuter.

G. McManus, said in a telegram to the Federal Deputy and Labour Minister, Mr. Arthur Macnamara:

"We have received assurances of support from the West Coast of the United States and the World Federation of Trade Unions that they will not load or unload Canadian ships affected by the strike."—Reuter.



Strike In Australia Expected To Collapse

Sydney, July 22.

Several union leaders today predicted that the 25-day-old Australian coal strike—already called off in some States—will collapse within two weeks.

They expect the combined Mining Unions' Council to agree next week to call mass coalfields meetings at which miners will be able to vote on the issue.

Miners in Tasmania today voted a return to work for next Monday after Mr. H. Fagan, Acting Premier, promised that their outstanding claims will be referred to the State Coal Reference Board.

Tasmanian coalfields produce 1,000 tons daily.

Miners at Collie, Western Australia, returned earlier this week and some mines are working in Queensland.

Moderate union leaders have said that extensive strip mining by non-mining labour would "smash the miners' greatest bargaining argument—that coal, if not won by skilled men, could not be obtained."

According to usually reliable sources, the potential output of New South Wales strip mines, working three shifts a day, seven days a week, would be 120,000 tons.

This, observers said, would be sufficient for all industry to resume in New South Wales.

The same source said that the Australian Navy is preparing to carry coal from strip mines to Sydney if other transport arrangements fail.

Reports this week said that Mr. Joseph Chifley, Federal Prime Minister, and Mr. James McGirr, State Premier, had agreed to use troops if necessary to haul strip-mined coal unless the strike ended next week.

Military convoys are quietly moving into the Northern coalfields to prepare for working of

POLICE TORTURE ALLEGED

Prague, July 22.

A spokesman for Greece's "Democratic" rebel government today accused the French police of "brutally beating and torturing" Greek merchant seamen who were imprisoned in France.

Professor Serafin Maximos, described by the official Czech Press Bureau as a member of the Greek "Democratic Government," introduced eight "mistreated" seamen at a conference for the Czech press.

He said that about six months ago the Greek "Monarch Fascist" Government issued a "black list" of nearly 5,000 Greek merchant seamen and sent it to the Governments of the Marshall aid states of Western Europe with the request that these men be detained by the authorities and then sent back to Greece where they would be either "imprisoned or killed."

"Following the example of the American Imperialists," the spokesman said, "the French Government issued an order for its police to arrest three Greek seamen, although they had valid visas into Czechoslovakia."

According to the official version of the press conference, the Greek seamen unanimously declared they were "brutally beaten, interrogated and tortured" by the French Ministry of Interior.

The asserted, according to the official version, that only after an appeal to the "Society for Help to Democratic Greece" and the French Trade Unions and to Professor Joliot Curie and other "progressive personalities" were they permitted to proceed to Czechoslovakia.

They stated that 10 other Greek seamen arrested in France are still waiting for visas for people's Democratic states and one sailor is still in prison.—Associated Press.

New 'Terror' In Trieste

A new 'terror' on the fringe of the 'Iron Curtain' is reported from Trieste—women drivers.

Before the war few Italian women were seen driving cars. It was not done, any more than was wearing slacks.

But today reports David Lee, encouraged by the stream of British and American army wives daily driving through the city, hundreds of Trieste women with a crashing of gears, are hurrying their husbands' ears along the free city's crowded streets.

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Munich, July 22.

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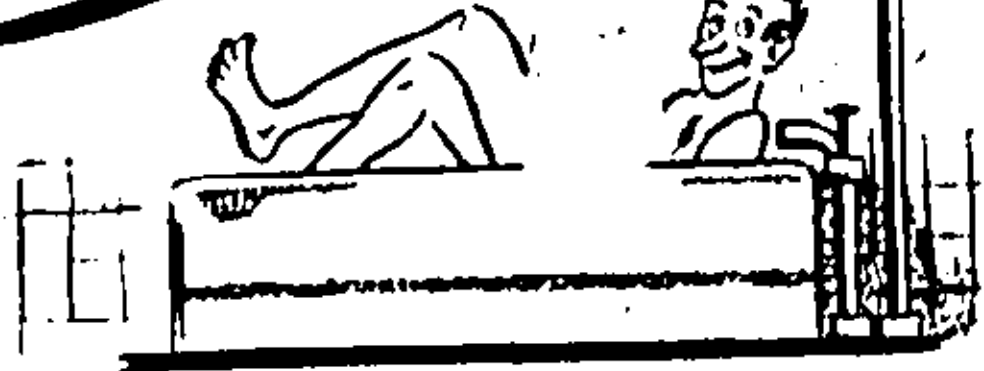
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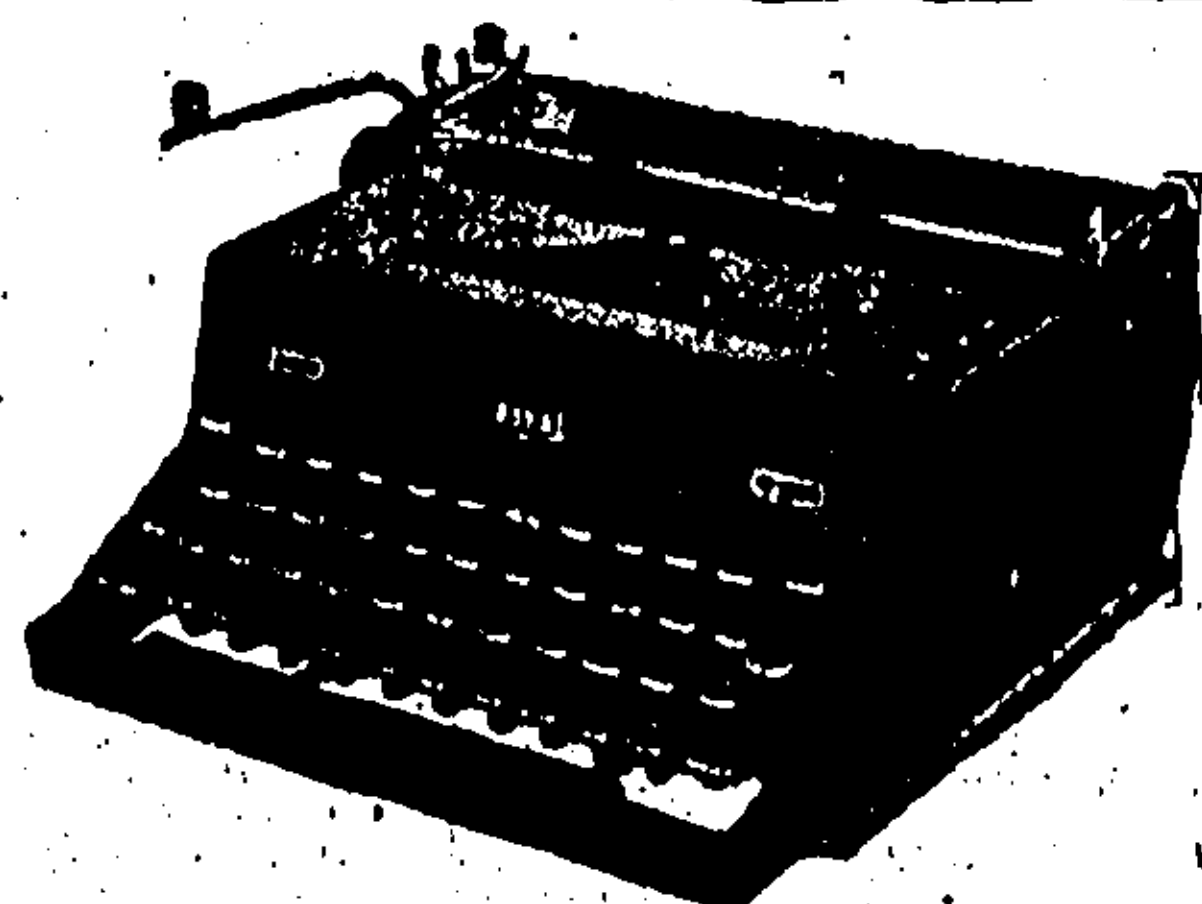
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PRESSURE ON PRODUCERS IN FAR EAST

London, July 23.

Some unofficial experts in London fear that American policy may intensify rather than relieve the present grave pressure on rubber producers in Malaya and Ceylon.

The Americans have so far been unresponsive to British and Colonial pleas for bigger purchases and higher prices of rubber and tin, for the sake of maintaining social stability in South East Asia against Communism, the experts said.

CARDINAL ATTACKS MRS. FDR

New York, July 23.

Cardinal Spellman, Catholic Archbishop of New York, criticised Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt today for her opposition to Federal funds for separate and private schools.

In a letter to Mrs. Roosevelt he said: "Your record of anti-Catholicism stands for all to see a record which you cannot ignore. The pages of history which cannot be recalled, denigrate the worth of an American mother." The Cardinal's attack was based on an article written by Mrs. Roosevelt in her newspaper column "My Day." Mrs. Roosevelt's secretary said today that the Cardinal's letter has not yet been received and there will be no comment on it until its arrival.

Cardinal Spellman, who made his letter public, said that he had written it after receiving hundreds of messages from persons of all faiths demanding that he answer Mrs. Roosevelt.

The letter said: "I became convinced that it was in the interest of all Americans and the cause of justice itself that your mis-statements should be challenged."

Federal aid to education is one of the biggest issues now before Congress.

In her column Mrs. Roosevelt said: "The controversy brought about by the request of Cardinal Spellman that Federal schools should share in Federal aid funds forces upon us the decision that is going to be difficult to make."

The Cardinal wrote: "America's Catholic youth have fought a long and bitter fight to save all Americans from oppression and persecution. The broken bodies of these young men and women are grim and tragic testimony to this fact."—Reuter.

PARIS DEBATES ATLANTIC PACT

Paris, July 22.

The French National Assembly tonight began its debate on the Bill to ratify the North Atlantic Pact. Ratification is considered to be virtually certain, with only the Communists in opposition.

M. Rene Mayer, former Radical Minister, opening the debate and urging ratification, said that the Government took account of the necessity for national defence, of material and financial aid from the United States.

Reuter.

WEST TO PLAN ITS STRATEGY

Washington, July 22.

The Council of the North Atlantic powers will meet in about two months, diplomatic authorities said today, to create the machinery for mapping the overall grand strategy of the Western world in relation to Russia.

Mid-September appears to be the earliest time by which preparations for a meeting of the 12-nation body can be completed.

Among other things, the 12 Governments, including the United States Government, will now have to give intensive study to the problem whether there should be a single joint military staff for strategic planning or whether the work should be carried on through a less tightly organised committee.

—Associated Press.



"May I offer a suggestion?"

GENERALISSIMO'S NEW ROLE IN CHINESE WAR

Taipei, July 22.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's visits to Baguio and Canton have focussed attention on the future role the Generalissimo is likely to play in the Nationalists' continued fight against the Communists.

In this respect it is generally believed that however that role might develop and whatever the long-term fruits it might bear, the immediate effect of the Generalissimo's "reappearance" cannot but be a valuable morale booster to both the civilian population as well as military units in what remains of Nationalist China.

The Generalissimo's emergence from "retirement" has come as no surprise to those observers who have all along considered him as the only "strong man" who could knit together again the largely disintegrated military and political factions within the Nationalist camp.

These observers have never doubted that the Generalissimo would resume an active part in the anti-Communist war. To them, the only question has been the way in which the Generalissimo would re-emerge from retirement.

Would he re-assume a leading position in the Nationalist Government and thus be accused of trying to usurp the powers of Acting President Li Tsung-jen, or would he act as leader of the Kuomintang Party and pass on to the Central Government recommendations and resolutions for them to reject or approve and implement as they think fit?

Events have shown the Generalissimo to have decided on the latter course, a course which the Baguio conference with President Quirino has well illustrated.

New Era

A crucial aspect highlighting the Generalissimo's return to

Condition Of Arab Refugees

London, July 22.

Conditions among the Arab refugees in Jordan have improved since the start of the year, Colonel W. J. Craig, the British Red Cross Commissioner in Jordan, said when he arrived in Britain today.

"The feeding has been very much more satisfactory since the League of Red Cross Societies began to operate and the health of the people has greatly improved," he said.

Mr. Craig, who leads 30 British Red Cross volunteers, said that more workers and medical supplies are needed, although they are dealing with only 10,000 people a month now compared with 15,000 earlier.—Reuter.

QUIRINO TO VISIT TRUMAN?

Manila, July 22.

Informed sources said today that President Truman has invited the President of the Philippines, Mr. Elpidio Quirino, to Washington.

These sources said Mr. Quirino may leave for Washington by plane as early as Sunday, or by next Thursday at the latest. He will be accompanied by a staff of 15 advisers.

In Washington, it was learned at the White House that no official invitation has been extended for a visit of Mr. Quirino, and that no arrangements have been made for such a visit.

However, despite these denials that anything is known in the U.S. about Mr. Quirino coming, some American circles interested in island affairs stated the matter is under consideration and there may be developments any time.

These quarters point out there are many questions pending between the U.S. and the Philippines that could be clarified if Mr. Quirino goes to the U.S. to discuss them.

However, they emphasise that the Pacific pact recently proposed by Mr. Quirino is not among them.

Meanwhile, the U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Myron Cowen, continues to stay in Washington and it is understood that he will remain there during the Quirino visit should the Philippine President go there. Otherwise Mr. Cowen is expected to leave soon to resume his post in Manila.—Associated Press.

US DETERMINED TO GO AHEAD

Washington, July 22.

The United States Department said today that Russian rejection of the American and British claims that the Human Rights provisions of the Balkan peace treaties had been violated has not altered American determination to press these charges.

A Department spokesman, replying that the Russian rejection was received in a note yesterday, said: "Our position is in no way changed."

"The next step will be to set up a commission of the representatives of the parties to the dispute with a neutral member. We are going to follow the procedure set forth in the treaties."—Reuter.



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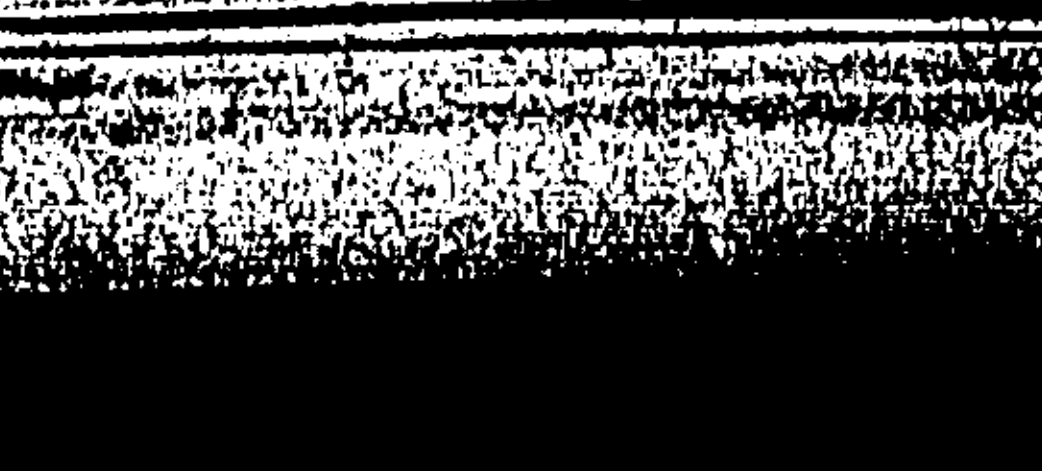
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FIRESIDE ECHOES:

COCKROACH ANTENNAE AS CURE FOR DIPHTHERIA

By WILLIAM M.S. BRAND

One weird item much sought after in Foochow for the cure of diphtheria happens to be the antennae or feelers of cockroaches. These have to be 'fried' on a roof-plate of unglazed grey clay, after which they are powdered and added to an astringent strongly resembling tannin. The mixture is applied to the patient's throat by swab every two hours. It is extremely bitter to the taste and in most cases causes vomiting.

Leprosy in the province is very widespread, but very much more so in the coastal districts than inland. Many observers put this down to the prevalent custom of eating large quantities of crudely salted and therefore partly decayed fish. In support of this theory they put forward Japan and the Philippines as striking examples. In Foochow two villages of leprosy exist; one outside the West Gate and the other outside the East Gate. Elsewhere in North Fukien they are cured in asylums.

In these villages they marry and bring up children. The extraordinary thing is that a leprosy husband can have untainted children. There is nothing to fear in walking round these villages and handling their inhabitants. Take care, however, not to touch the 'weeping' stage, otherwise you are liable to become infected yourself. These unfortunate people have even been looked down upon in the early annals of this part of China as the historic instance of a rogue traitor, who, receiving the Emperor's edict to clear his prefecture of leprosy and apostasy, caused a large match to be erected.

Lepers Invited

Invitations were sent out to all lepers to participate in a grand banquet to be held at the French Consulate. When the main dish was served, the magistrate entered and took his place with the diners, whereupon the entrances were closed and barred. The close of the magistrate's speech was the pre-arranged signal to fire the structure, which a few minutes later had been literally soaked with oil. The magistrate perished with several hundreds of his official guests. "Ave, Imperator, salutem!"

In 1941, on the occupation of the port by the Japanese (April to September) Army, a similar purge took place. This time the lepers, the main, half and blind, and just beggars, were herded aboard several fishing junks and all down-river the white plied with good food and all the wine they wanted. Outside Sharp Peak, stopcocks in the vessels were withdrawn and they were cut adrift.

A patrolling Formosan fishing trawler, commonly referred to as 'puff-puff', circled slowly above the scene of the sinking boats and saw to it there were no survivors. In this modernised massacre the Japanese Army was aided by collaborators, who, on the morning of September 1, met a like fate in the identical vicinity. However, in their case survivors were permitted to escape by the Japanese in the full knowledge they would not get very far with surrounding Chinese Nationalist guerrillas. True they did not, as many a gory head brought up to Foochow with which to claim the ransom money bore ample testimony.

By eating their food hot and drinking tea, and hot wine when they do drink at all, the Chinese have saved themselves from many fevers transmitted by un-boiled water and milk, even though they and their forebears have lived generation after generation in unsanitary surroundings. Certain parts of North Fukien, particularly along the valley of the Tashi Ki River flowing Northwards to Nanping, or Yengpingfu, between the towns of Yungan and Shushien in the neighbourhoods of Kungch-wang and Sanyuan, are notoriously malarial-stricken, yet the Chinese of those localities show

a partial immunity to this dreadful malady. It is interesting to note that Shushien has for ages been a military centre and that troops stationed here and along the Tashi Ki Valley are usually Northerners, whose ranks are partly depleted by malaria, and a very malignant type of malaria it is too in this region.

Herbal Remedy

Beforeside concluding these medical echoes I wish to refer to one more example of Chinese herbal remedy. It is in fact an infallible

some marked variations, the same fundamental type of civilisation as the white races; the same strong craving for fellowship manifested in the desire for home-life, the need for food and clothing, the same longing for immortality. For the past 2,000 years in China there has been very little change in the articles of food, raiment, house-building, or instruments of production. It is established beyond question that the nation is the largest in numbers of all the nations of the earth, and that their civilisation is the oldest continuous civilisation on our globe. The vitality of the Chinese race is indis-



The Foochow Consular body attending the dedication of the 1920 War Memorial. Photo shows, from left to right, the French Consul, Mr. Auge, the Japanese Consul, Mr. Hayashi, and Dr. Moorhead, Port Doctor, conversing with Mr. Herbert Phillips, the British Consul and later Sir Herbert Phillips.

le cure. There is a world-wide malady which the Chinese refer to as 'kup' side, which if not treated immediately proves fatal. It is caused out of a 100. Many a foreigner in China has succumbed to it, whose death certificate has borne the cause of death as pneumonia. Should anyone be known to have contracted this malady there is no cause for undue alarm, as every Chinese medicine shop stocks the common ingredients required for the cure, which in pre-war days cost less than 10 cents silver (Mexican). The cure is known as 'aster tea' and the Chinese small colourful asters about the size of a cornflower which when hung up and thoroughly dried, served our grandparents as everlasting flowers for the ancestral altar, manna, etc. A small quantity of cinnamon bark is used in conjunction with other herbs, and the whole is boiled and drunk by the patient wrapped in blankets and he sweats profusely. The infusion is perfectly harmless and the patient should be given as many large bowls as possible—until sweat is brought on. The next morning the patient is out of danger, provided the remedy just described is given in time.

In a country so vast as China, with so immense a population, whatever one's preconceptions, he can easily find materials to confirm them. Every view advanced can be supported by numerous illustrations, or it can be challenged, and so many exceptions can be cited as to make the opposite opinion credible. In the field of medicine and hygiene the Occident is appalled at the ignorance, squalor, and misery of vast masses of the Chinese. One wonders if it is wise for the Occident to enlarge upon such faults. Was it not a matter of 200 years ago that the better part of Europe emerged from just the same conditions? Is it not a matter of fact that all over Europe such conditions are still to be found? These things, with the influence of evolution in the development of species, reveal the profound effect which environment has had upon the history of mankind. Any profound study of the Chinese people reveals, with

no wonder after thus tasting of the salt of life on marriage, she yearns for male children rather than to reach the grim decision to drown or cast away her baby girl; partly out of poverty and to avoid the alternative to sell into slavery, and partly out of disengagement over woman's lot in general, or the more desperate decision to take her own life.

Elsewhere in these echoes mention has been made of Foochow's little-known 'Baby Tower', that used to exist close by the Black Pagoda in the vicinity of the South Gate. I mention it here for the reason that very few writers mention it, very few visitors were shown over it, and very few residents took the trouble to interest themselves in it. Yet there the building stood for hundreds of years just a few yards off the main road. It was pulled down in 1922 to make way for road improvements. It was a squat five-storied pagoda with a hollow interior from the ground to the roof. Each floor, therefore, was in the nature of a circular verandah with windows at intervals on the exterior as well as the interior, from which latter one could look down into the central well or shaft. It was on the ledges of these inner windows that unwanted babies were left, mostly in crude boxes or baskets, though sometimes just wrapped up in a shawl or cotton blanket. Babies were never deliberately thrown in the well or shaft. Should all the inner ledges be occupied the baby to be disposed of would be shoved on a ledge resulting in the foremost box being tipped into the well. In this manner life was not taken actually with the hands.

The oldest missionary work in Foochow is that of the Roman Catholic Church, whose Dominican Order entered from Formosa in 1631. The Spanish nuns of this Order maintain two orphanages for girls; one just outside the City's South Gate, known as St. Theresa's, and the other at Pagoda Anchorage, known as the French Convent, situated on the hill overlooking the Arsenal and Dockyard.

Thanks to St. Theresa's the majority of little lives have been saved from the horrible fate of the Baby Tower. This has been accomplished with no little danger to the lives of the rescuers at the hands of an extremely superstitious populace. Indeed, during the student anti-foreign agitation of 1925-26 pamphlets were freely distributed accusing the sisterhood of St. Theresa's of boiling these children in order to obtain glycerine and oils for the manufacture of soap. The pamphlets went so far as to print a photograph of a pile of little corpses allegedly found on the premises of the orphanage. The actual fact the corpses were taken from the Baby Tower where the photograph was taken to serve quite a different purpose; but which ultimately was converted into evidence to support a heinous lie.

Happily Married

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The needlework became world-famous prior to the late Pacific War, since when supplies of linen and threads have not been obtainable, so this excellent work suffered very greatly. What threads were made on this work went back into the institution to feed and support these orphans.

(Continued Next Sunday)

Proposed HK Gramophone Society

A preliminary "ways and means" discussion between three interested gramophiles and myself has borne quite a large amount of fruit, so to speak. It has been agreed to push ahead

By "MUSSETTA"

with the proposition for a gramophone club as an experiment, and tentative preliminary plans have been made.

Firstly, it will be helpful if any people interested would phone Mr. P. Du Toit or Mr. Brittain (57777) or on Hong Kong side, Mr. D. Peach (28001, Ex. 12).

Secondly, it is hoped to hold a preliminary meeting on Saturday July 30 at the Diocesan Boys' School, Kowloon at 8.15 p.m. The Society is open to all who are interested in classical music, and especially any members of the Forces who care to come along.

Mr. Du Toit has some time been running a series of classical recorded music for the Forces and it was thought best, as a preliminary move, to continue this series. As and from the July 30 however, it is proposed to run the series under the auspices of the Kowloon Gramophone Society. Much still depends on the measure of support which is received. Further plans, if feasible, and a properly organised society can be formed if support from interested music lovers is evident. It is hoped to devote some time to discussion and proper formation of the Society at the preliminary meeting.

Plenty Of Records

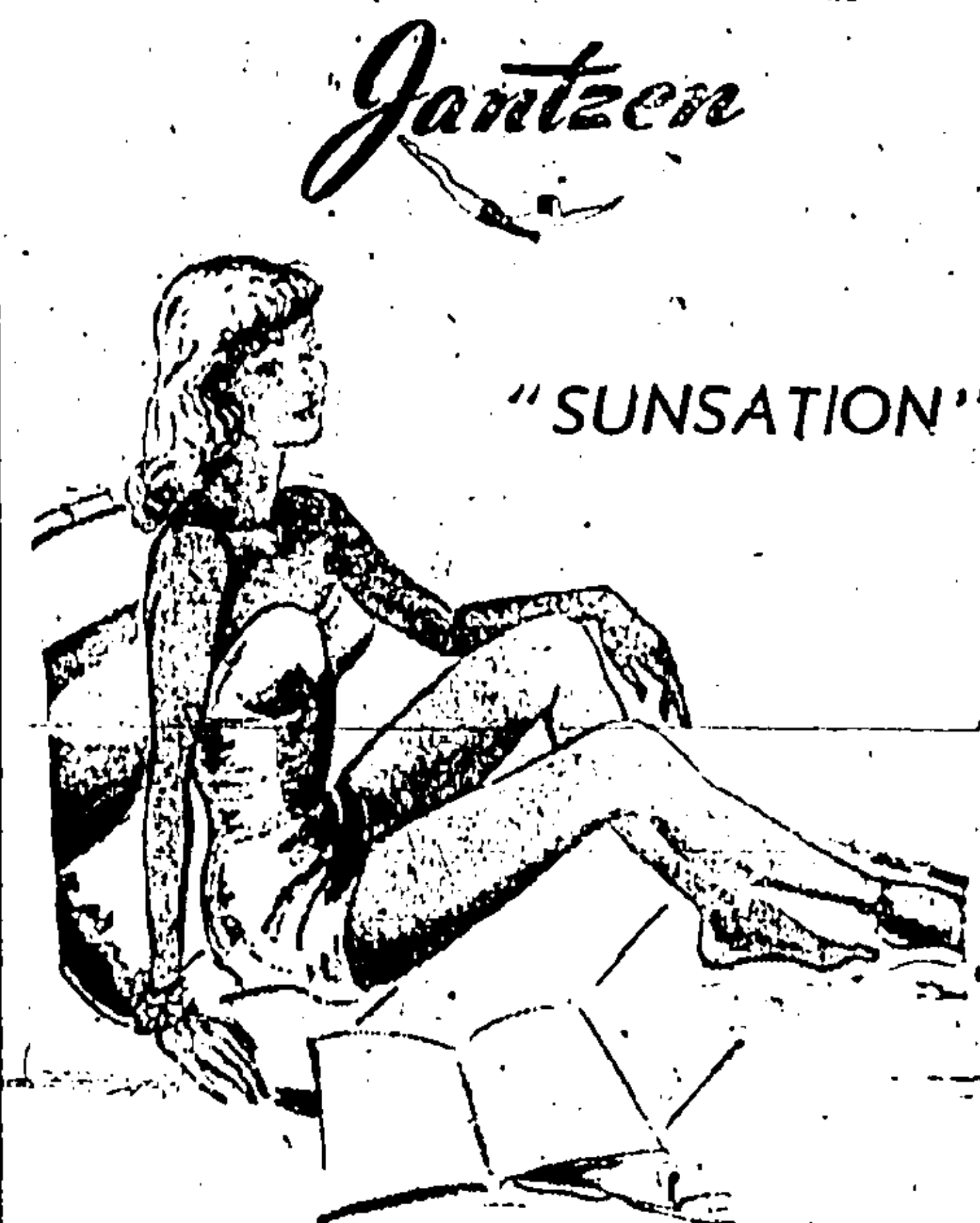
The four of us who met to discuss this Society discovered, incidentally, that between us we had sufficient records to run a concert per week for the next six months! Reproduction will probably be by way of a Decole, which is just about the last word in gramophones (if that is not an under-description of this beautiful instrument).

Further details will appear in the weekly press, and much can be done by those who read if they will pass the information on to their friends. After all, there is a bamboo-telephone, isn't there?

I'm afraid space is a little short for any notes this week, but I sincerely hope that my columns have been given over to a good cause. Perhaps it is unnecessary to emphasise that all the arrangements we have in mind for the future are purely tentative. Speak your piece on July 30, and from then on we shall know how to proceed.

For various reasons, I may add, the title "Kowloon Gramophone Society" was selected. I hope, however, that Hong Kong dwellers will not be deterred by that fact. Anyone who is interested is welcome, and particularly if this should catch the eye of Mr. Chu Chi (who suggested a Society and wrote to me a little while ago). Will you try to come along, please?

It is possible, too, that amongst the Forces there will be quite a number to whom this suggestion may appeal. Let's have a goodly gathering on the first occasion; on that, to some extent, depends the future success of the Society.



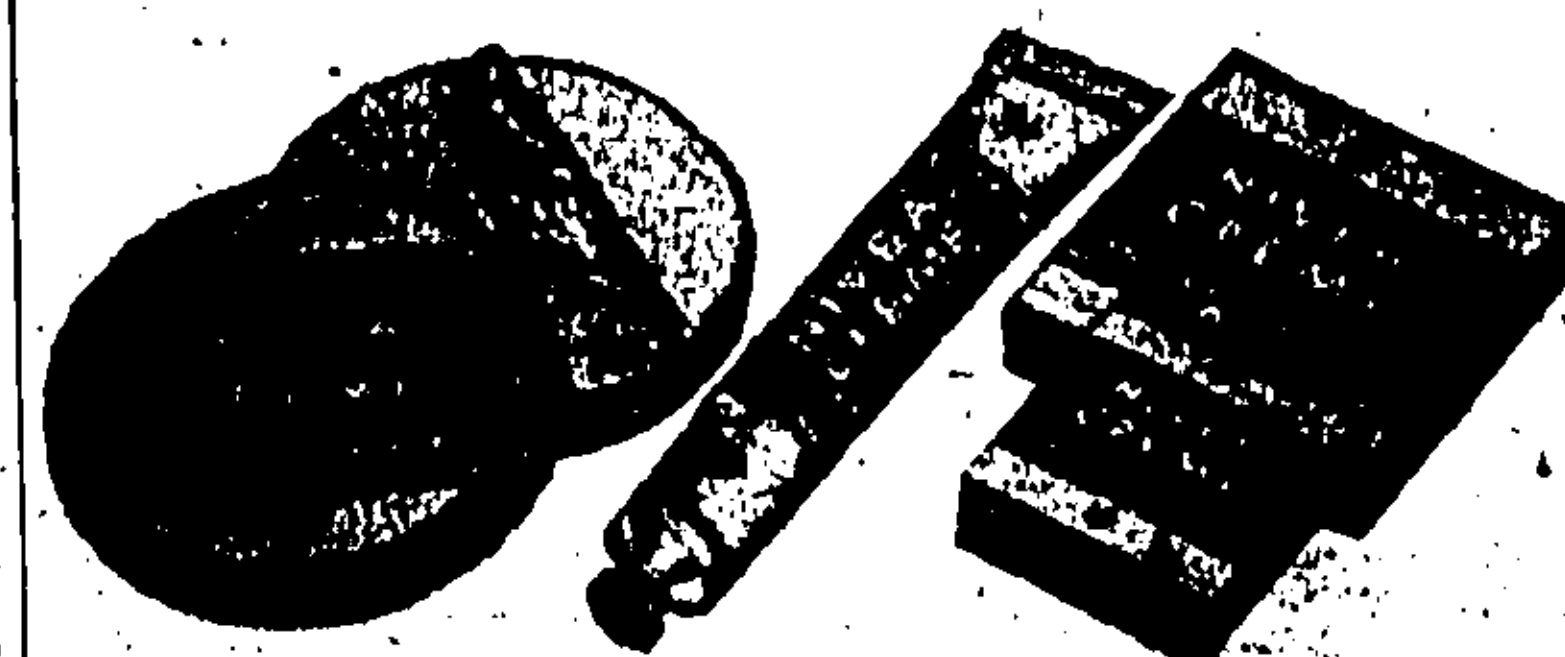
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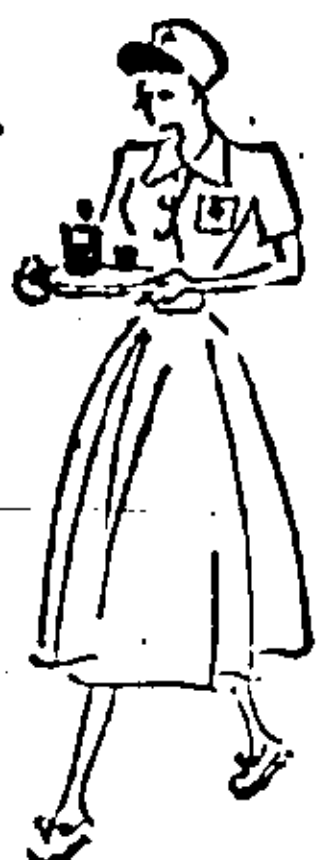
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Between Ourselves

TIE SILKS AND FOULARDS?

By JANET MARTIN

It's quite some time since tie silks and foulard prints were first whispered in the Paris salons, but now they are high fashion for smart summer frocks.

As "Vogue" has it, English beauty looks its best in a classic setting, and there is something about the neat, small design of a tie print which was lost amid the larger, more flamboyant patterns of last year.

The pheasant's eye, the small, elegant diamond with its central spot, which distinguishes the motif of most tie prints, have an unobtrusive design which does not interfere with the clear sweep of line and cut.

For our late summer season, you will be enchanted with the possibilities for new elegance envisaged in these charming prints. A frock in silk foulard or tie print will refresh any summer wardrobe which is growing rather tired of the lengthy season.

The prints, in the ancient tradition of the sincerest form of flattery, of course, been copied in cotton. So look out for a refreshingly new frock in fine cotton, printed in clear colours, with a tiny, symmetrical design. Choose a sun-dress style, with a matching scarf or stole, which can be worn at any time of the day.

"Ruler" Design

For afternoons that may continue into informal evenings, there is a graceful model in pure silk foulard by Frederick Starke. This has a "ruler" design in green and brown on a yellow ground, with softly flared skirt and a double caped neckline to make a changing frame for your favourite pendant.

Another, less formal dress, is in rayon foulard which looks like the finest of lilies. The pattern is a small square of blue set in water-colour effect, against a background of palest grey. The frock is sun-top style, with a straight-fronted skirt and pleated folds flaring at the back, topped by a tiny jacket in plain blue rayon linen to match the squares of the frock design.

For coolness, my vote goes to a dainty "back-to-front" frock in green and white printed tie silk. The bodice has a high neck in front and little cap sleeves, but at the back, the neck is cut to a deep V, with turned-back reversers, and buttoned to the waist. The skirt is loosely folded into the waist in all-round pleats. This is a surprise pattern which contrasts in delightful surprise with the mannered simplicity of the fabric design.

Blouses At Dances

The silks will renew their appearance with tailored blouses for the present, their emergence on to the dance floor is more directly interesting... especially now that so many of our dance floors encourage us with air-conditioning! The silks are so soft, and practically unscratchable, that they are ideal for evening frocks. For two extremes of style, I would suggest these:

First, a gown, reminiscent of the Quaker Girl in a more sophisticated, modern setting. The material is a silk foulard with a minute design in black, white and grey. The bodice is closely fitted, with a wide fold of fine pique crossed "knecht"-wise across the bosom. A shirt hip yoke joins the full-flaring skirt.



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skirt, and is concealed by an apron effect, edged with a ruffle of pique to match the neckline. Secondly, a much more dramatic model, in tie-silk, printed in red on a white ground. The neckline has a stiffened fold to stand up around the shoulders, with looped-back corners in front. The skirt is draped, lavishly across the front, to fall in cascade effect from waist to hem at the side.

Smash-Hit Clothes Don't Save Shows

Norman Hartnell has returned to his first love; the stage.

The man who is dressmaker to the Queen was responsible for designing clothes in three current West End shows.

It is a matter of historical record that two out of the three shows he has designed clothes for are flops.

"Champagne for Deliah," with Goggin Withers and Irene Worth, opened on June 9, closed on Saturday, June 25. "Two Dozen Red Roses" with Evelyn Laye, opened on May 25, closed on June 20 (23 days). Not even the fact that they are the best-dressed shows in town has saved them. The third, "Traveller's Joy," with Yvonne Arnaud, at the Criterion, is an established success.

This is doubtless a disappointment to a man for whom, with his medieval feeling for magnificence, for rich jewellery, drapery and costly material, the stage is a natural outlet, a place where his natural flamboyance and love of colour can find full satisfaction.

Inspiring Glamour

It is only necessary to see Hartnell's original drawings for the stage work he did in his early days to realise what inspiration the glamour of the theatre can be to him.

He is a creative artist and a lover of line and colour—all of which find complete expression in clothes for the stage.

In fact, he must find present-day dressing otherwise a dull affair, for it is only in designing his beautiful crinolines for the Queen that he can let his imagination have rein.

Since the twenties and early thirties he has had little to do with the theatre. Then, as a young designer, he made clothes for almost all the big productions, starting with the clothes for Lily Elsie in "The Truth Game."

Sir Charles Cochran, sent his stars to Hartnell for his revues: Actresses like Marlene Dietrich, Gertrude Lawrence and Beatrice Lillie flocked to Hartnell's salon. Then, gradually, he deserted the stage. With the exception of a couple of George Black revues during the war he gave up designing for the theatre.

But most of his friends wondered how long he would keep his resolution. They guessed that the call of the stage would be too strong.

The sort of obstacles that arise in the theatre are a joy and a stimulant to him, for he never admits himself beaten.

He no longer critic, but I do know a well-dressed show when I see one. And come hits or come flops, here's one person who will always be willing to queue to see a show of which the programme says: Dresses by Norman Hartnell.

Wooden buttons in natural colours can be tinted to tone with materials if painted with nail polish, applied with a small brush.

This Year's Fashions More Complicated

By PATRICIA LENNARD

Summer holidays are not going to be so easy this year.

Instead of throwing into the trunk a pair of shorts, a crumpled sun-suit (vintage 39) and one of those cheapish but cheerful cotton swimming suits you'll be doing a deal of serious planning.

Last year, if you check up on fashion phases the way I do, there was the trend for the boyish and the casual—straight sloppy frocks worn with jeans or shorts were practically a uniform.

This year, however, even British firms catching up on what were hitherto the copy-right and label of American play-clothes: aids to the body beautiful.

So you will find strapless, less built-in bras, drawstring and elasticised necklines, and other above-the-waist detail forming the basis of this year's trend for extremely feminine beach clothes. Going into this thoroughly here is the latest news on all forms of beachery this summer.

Smooth As Satin

SWIMSUITS—Rocking to the top as favourite is the streamlined, or highly flattering elasticised satin swimsuit. This is usually one-piece, in plain colours, flowered or polka-dotted material.

This elasticised fabric is as smooth as the satin with which it is woven, is sometimes lined, with cotton stockinette, rarely has a skirt.

Another practical, as well as handsome buy is the elasticised wool swimming costume. Some of these can be strapless, the neck-halter doubling as belt.

There are plenty of elasticised satin or elasticised wool two-piece swimsuits, as well as two-piece in ruched satin, cotton, or poplin.

Sun And Play

SUITS—In order to sunbathe in A.D. 1949, one needs a two, three, or four-piece outfit at least. Most elementary is the two-piece bra and brief panties. Or a strapless dress and stole.

Three-pieces include either bra, pants and thigh-length tent coat; shorts, bra and skirt; or strapless cotton swim-suit, bolero and skirt.

Four-pieces include...but you can go on forever. The general idea is to have as many interchangeable pieces as possible, and the prettier the better.

Change About

Panties and shorts, for example are filled or flounced; bra tops are very often strapless, security being obtained by (1) wiring; (2) boning; or (3) elastic plus will-power; or (4) material permanently stiffened into shape.

Drawstring blouses of voile or broderie anglaise have adjustable on-or-off-the-shoulder necklines; detachable calf-length skirts are extremely full, tight-waisted, sometimes flounced at the hemline, and can turn a brief sun-suit into a respectable dance dress.

And for the woman who likes her beach clothes CASUAL there are knee-length jeans or "pirate pants" this year, loose and shapeless sweatshirts of cotton stockinette with a fluffy surface or of fine flake, and many shortish tent coats, thigh-length, in heavy rayons, cottons and terry towelling.

Dull Trend

FABRICS—For play clothes there has been nothing so pretty as silky-surfaced cotton poplin, teamed up with sheer voiles. Beach-white will usually be seen in either pique or towelling.

For shirts and ultra-smart blouses and playfrocks, there is a trend to dull silky surfaces—shantung, chambrays, poplins, pure linens and cottons.

PATTERNS will be either tiny precision prints (like tiesilk patterns) or else what I'd call a "wallpaper sprawl": not huge flowers biggledy-piggledy all over the place but a carefully-curbed design of, for example, stripes alternating with rows of formal flowers.

Keeping Neutral

COLOURS—Well, there's a strong preference for dark or darkly neutral coloured backgrounds, like dull greens, greys, browns. There's less of the perennial blue-and-white, candy-stripes or spot designs than ever before. And the most elegant and photogenic of women will wear black on the beach—black linen shirts, black satin swimsuits, black silk bare-midriff blouses, someone having confirmed the flattery of black on suntan.

RECIPES

Uncooked Chocolate Log

Half-pound plain biscuits, 1/2 tin sweetened condensed milk, 1 tablespoon lemon juice, 1 teaspoon vanilla, raspberry jam, 1 tablespoon sugar, 2 tablespoons boiling water, 1 tablespoon cocoa, 5 tablespoons powdered milk, few extra drops vanilla, chopped walnuts....

Crush biscuits to fine crumbs with rolling pin. Place in basin, add condensed milk, lemon juice and vanilla. Mix to a firm, stiff paste. Turn on to paper dusted with sifted icing sugar and roll rolling pin with icing sugar and roll biscuit paste to an oblong, sheet about 1/4 in. thick. Spread lightly with raspberry jam or chopped mixed fruits. Roll carefully as for Swiss roll. Chill in ice-chest or refrigerator until quite firm. Prepare icing.

Chocolate icing: Dissolve sugar thoroughly in boiling water. Add sifted cocoa, beat until smooth. Gradually work in powdered milk and vanilla, beat with wooden until very smooth. Spread over top and sides of roll, sprinkle with chopped walnuts. Cut in to slices with very sharp knife before serving.

Dutch Apple Cake

8oz self raising flour, pinch salt, 2oz shortening, 2oz sugar, 1 beaten egg, 1 gill milk, 2 apples, 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon, 1 tablespoon brown sugar, crystallised cherries, walnut halves.

Sift the flour and salt into a basin. Rub in the shortening. Add the sugar and mix well. Pour the milk into the beaten egg and add to the dry ingredients to make into a soft dough. Turn out, knead lightly and roll to fit an ovenproof dish. Place in the greased dish, and sprinkle with brown sugar and cinnamon. Cover with rings of peeled, cored apples. Fill the centres of the rings alternately with cherries and walnut halves. Bake in a hot oven, temp. 425 deg. F. gas, 475 deg. F. electric, for 10 minutes; reduce the heat to 350 deg. F. gas, 400 deg. F. electric, and cook a further 20 minutes. Serve hot.

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Beauty In The Hot Weather:

SUMMER BEAUTY COCKTAIL

By JANET MARTIN

Try my "hot weather cocktail" for that special evening date. You want to feel on top of form and and look your best; you want to be able to live up to that exciting new frock. The wish is there, but energy is lacking and time is short. The worst possible method is to rush through your toilette, dashing from bedroom to bathroom and back again, getting all hot and bothered. You may manage to be ready on time, but you'll be the reverse of cool calm and collected.

Take two minutes to work but you are ready to dress and make-up. Lay out your ensemble, complete to the last detail, ready to pull on. Select the make-up you intend to use; choose your perfume and jewellery. Check over your handbag, don't leave it until the very last minute when you are ready to go or you will be sure to have to dash back for something.

While the very rapid, bath is running, remove all make-up, cleanse the face thoroughly and apply a little skin food. Prepare two pads of cotton wool by soaking them in boracic or eye lotion and leave them handy.

Take Your Bath

Now take your bath, finishing with a cold shower and a light rub-over with toilet soap. Do not dry vigorously; just wrap yourself in a large, fluffy towel and let it soak up the moisture with the least possible exertion on your part.

Remove the skin food, then apply a cool, cream face masque. Smooth on the cream with light, gentle fingertips and leave on for 10 or 15 minutes, while you lie quietly on your bed with the two cotton wool pads placed on your closed eyelids.

Whatever you do during the 10 or 15 minutes while the masque is working, rest as quietly as you can. If you cannot spare the time to lie down, sit in a comfortable chair and use the time to manicure your nails.

The masque may now be removed, using plenty of right cleansing cream and soft tissues. Then give the skin a final toning with skin tonic and it will feel cool and fresh again. Dust your body lightly with talc and

Evening Make-up

For the evening, make-up should be rather different from that which is used during the daytime. In daylight the aim should be to look as natural as possible, but by artificial light, different shades and more unusual effects are most effective. The colours of fashion rather than nature, your make-up a skilful work of art, enhanced by shining hair and sparkling eyes as much as by the charming gown and glint of smart costume jewellery.

Let your evening make-up be a little heavier than is usual for the daytime; powder a shade lighter, lipstick a little darker—the added hint of contrast which is the secret of a successful "make-up" in the evening.

Be very sparing with eye shadow, for no detail of make-up can be more easily overdone. A tiny dab, placed on the centre of each lid and blended away in an outward and upward direction, will be quite sufficient. For blue eyes, use violet or green; for brown, a deeper green; but if your eyes are deep-set—none at all, for shadow deepens the setting.

Cosmetic "lip" is a must for the evening, but only when used lightly, with a fairly dry brush, no blobs or spikes permitted! Lipstick should be applied generously, carefully worked in with lip brush or fingertip and "set" by blotting with a folded tissue pressed between the lips.

When you take that final look at the finished picture, to make quite sure that nothing has been forgotten—do remember that lipstick! It shouldn't really match your lips.



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Green will be very smart, but I would suggest that you may combine it with a bit of white. White will make it look fresh and bride-like. Good luck.

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Still Has Glamour



The actress, Miss Marlene Dietrich, attended the Tiana Ball held recently at the Latin-American House in Paris, France. Photo shows Miss Dietrich wearing a tiara of twisted diamond loops on a grey feather cap, while the Order of Artistic Merit recently presented to her by the Mayor of Montmartre is pinned to her grey-tulle dress by Dior—Associated Press Photo.

Ann Temple Boring Business

I am bored stiff by having to entertain my husband's important business friends. I have absolutely nothing in common with them or their wives—particularly their wives. Surely it's time we gave up this bolstering-up of business with social round?—BABS.

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Not telepathy. This is a test of wits, and when the wits are working all out the condition is unfavourable to telepathic messages. For them the mind must be a receptive state.

While very appreciative of the nimbleness of mind and quick associative memory processes of the Team, I venture to put regular and constant practice as an explanation of the speed.

It's practice in finding the eliminating question that does it and the snatching at a clue which the MacPherson of the game often gives unwittingly.

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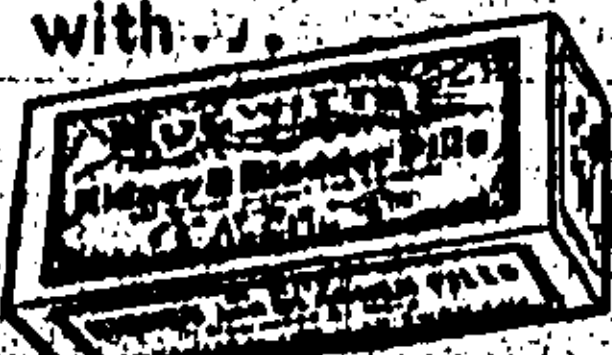
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Twelve different kinds of tours have been authorized by General MacArthur's headquarters to entice travellers to tarry in picturesque Nippon and spend some of the foreign exchange Japan needs to pay for imported food and raw materials.

ISRAEL OUT OF LUCK

Canberra, July 22.

No Australian wheat, cheese, meat or butter will be available for export to Israel at present, according to officials here today.

The officials are reported as saying that Israel can buy plenty of Australian wool at auction. They were commenting on a statement in London yesterday by Mr. Harry Levin, newly-appointed Israeli Consul-General for Australia and New Zealand, that "we look forward to Australia and New Zealand to help us and there is a great deal we want to buy from these two countries."

The Canberra officials are reported to have said that under long-term contracts, nearly all the Australian exportable surplus of butter, cheese and meat go to Britain.

Exceptions to the contracts consist of very small quantities. Future wheat sales will be made under international agreements, but at present Australia has none for sale.—Reuter.

STOCKPILING FUNDS CUT

Washington, July 22.

A \$275,000,000 reduction in funds for stockpiling metals, rubber, and a long list of other materials was voted today by the Senate Appropriations Committee. Senator Elmer Thomas (Democrat) said that the reduction came out of the \$135,000,000 previously allowed this year by the Senate and the House of Representatives.

All of it is in authority to make Senator Thomas said that he had failed in an effort to slash \$635,000,000 from the stockpiling funds.—Reuter.

Money Market

US dollars were easier yesterday when the market closed at HK\$56.20 after opening at \$63.15. TT was booked between HK\$56.33 and \$63.30. Sterling was unchanged at HK\$16.70, as was also Australian pounds at HK\$13.70. Pounds were again nominal at HK\$12.90 a 100. NEI Cullidors dropped further to HK\$34.50 a 100.

EGYPT LOOKING FOR DOLLARS

Cairo, July 22.

Egypt may have asked for Marshall plan aid during the U.S. Treasury Secretary, John Snyder's visit here, Cairo financial circles report. There is strict official secrecy about the talks between Mr. Snyder and the Egyptian Finance Minister, Hussain Fahmy is believed to have urged on Mr. Snyder Egypt's eagerness to have American capital invested here.—United Press.

MOLASSES FOR BRITAIN

Havana, July 23.

President Jose Manuel Casanova of the National Association of Sugar Mill Owners said that 70,000,000 gallons of molasses have been sold to Britain at three cents a gallon by the Cuban Sugar Institute.—Associated Press.

LONDON STOCKS

London, July 23.

Settlement of the dock strike brought little reaction in the stock market and trading remained quiet with some prices slightly easier. Knifery closed about unchanged. Brewery and tobacco shares showed small losses and oils also were lower. Financial Time index 104.1.—Associated Press.

BENGUET STOCK

New York, July 23.

Benguet Consolidated, a Philippine gold mining stock, stood sixth on the list of 20 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange this week. It closed at 2 1/2, down 1/4 on the week.—Associated Press.

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New York, July 23.

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Among gainers were American Airlines, Transcontinental and Western Air, United Airlines, Eastern Airlines, Western Airlines, Woodworth, United Fruit, Richfield Oil.

Los Angeles included Consolidated Natural Gas, U.S. Gypsum, Sinclair Oil.

Groupings:

Dow Jones Average: Stocks 62.04.

20 Industrials 174.53.

10 Rails 48.12.

10 Utilities 55.87.

Closing quotations:

Adams Express 16 1/2.

Alaska Japan 4 1/2.

American Can 9 1/4.

American Smelting 48.

American Telephone 14 1/4.

American Tobacco 49 1/2.

American Waterworks 7 1/4.

Anacostia Copper 28.

Aviation Corp. 5 1/4.

Baldwin Locomotive 9 1/4.

Barndall 47 1/2.

Bentley Aviation 29 1/4.

Bethlehem Steel 20 1/2.

Boring Aircraft 18 1/2.

Borden Co. 42 1/2.

Canadian Pacific 12 1/4.

J. I. Case 37 1/2.

Chrysler 60.

Colgate 37 1/2.

Commercial Solvents 15 1/4.

Cum Products 65 1/4.

Du Pont 47.

Eastman Kodak 41 1/4.

General Electric 28 1/2.

General Motors 40 1/4.

Goodrich 49 1/4.

Goodyear 40.

Homestake Mining 41 1/4.

International Harvester 25 1/4.

International Paper 49 1/2.

International Tel. & Tel. 8 1/4.

Johns-Manville 38 1/4.

Kennecott Copper 45 1/2.

Montgomery Ward 25 1/4.

National Lead 8 1/4.

New York Central 37 1/4.

Parkland Motors 8 1/4.

Pan American Airways 9 1/4.

Pennsylvania RR 14 1/4.

Radio Corp. 10 1/4.

Remington Rand 9 1/4.

Republic Steel 19 1/4.

Reynolds Tobacco 37 1/2.

Reynolds 40.

Shell Oil 34 1/4.

Suony Vacuum 18 1/4.

Southern Bell 28 1/2.

Standard Brands 19 1/4.

Standard Oil of Calif. 61 1/4.

Standard Oil of N.J. 67 1/4.

Studebaker 21 1/4.

Union Carbide 31 1/4.

U.S. Rubber 35 1/4.

U.S. Steel 22 1/4.

U.S. Lines 16 1/4.

Washington Sheet & Tube 62 1/4.

Gen. Pub. Utilities 18 1/4.

—Associated Press.

NY COTTON

New York, July 23.

Cotton futures were irregular in moderately active trading and closed 50 cents to 85 cents a bale lower.

October 29.52-54.

December 29.51.

March 29.47.

May 29.34 bid.

July 28.83.

October 28.91.

Middling Spot 32.45 nominal.

—Associated Press.

SHIP MOVEMENTS

Seattle, July 23.

Ship arrivals: Washington Mail from Yokohama, Berbert D. Crilly from Yokohama.

Departure: David C. Shanks for Yokohama.—Associated Press.

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Indians Lose To Kowloon Dock Club

Police Register Lowest Score Of Season

Kowloon Dock Club provided the only upset in yesterday's First Division Lawn Bowls League, when they beat Indian Recreation Club at Soekunpoo by five shots. The Dock Club won on two rinks.

Club de Recreo "A" beat Kowloon Bowling Green Club by four points to one at Austin Road. In dropping one point from this game, Recreo "A" have enhanced the prospects of Craigengower Cricket Club who, as a result of their win over Police Recreation Club on all rinks, are now six points ahead of Recreo "A"—their rivals for Championship honours.

A feature of the match between Craigengower Cricket Club and Police Recreation Club was the score of 25 by the Guardians of the Law—the lowest score recorded in any Division during the current season.

In the only other First Division game played, Club de Recreo "B" won down to Kowloon Cricket Club by four points to one.

The Hong Kong Football Club continued their winning streak in the Second Division when they beat Tai Koo Dock Club on all rinks at Happy Valley, while Club de Recreo scored a similar victory over Hong Kong Cricket Club.

Philip Club beat Kowloon Cricket Club at King's Park by four points to one, while Kowloon Bowling Green Club, who counted for Craigengower Cricket Club, also by four points to one.

In the Third Division, Club de Recreo beat Police Recreation Club by five points at Happy Valley. Kowloon Cricket Club came out on top in their match against Kowloon Bowling Green Club, winning by four points to one, as also Hong Kong Electric Recreation Club who beat Police Officers Club by four points to one.

FIRST DIVISION

CCC—PRC

Craigengower Cricket Club went a step further in their quest for the Senior Division of the Lawn Bowls League at Happy Valley when they entertained the Police Recreation Club and won by 45 shots, the final score being 93-25.

The home team won on all rinks and proved too good for the visitors. U. M. Omar and his men after losing two matches with a row came back to form with a biggest win of the day over C. Gough's rink by 31 shots, the final score was 37-6.

U. M. Omar was in brilliant form and was given able support from his front men. All three of them putting in a fine performance. G. C. Jorge who won the Shanghai Open Rink championship last year was seen as No. 2 to Omar and although he did not reveal his best form, on the day's play he was an asset to Omar.

For the visitors, J. Hayward was the best and saved his skip from a bigger defeat.

J. S. Landolt's rink also had a big win over Hillyer's rink, the final score was 34-7, a win of 27 shots. For the winners Souza and Omar laid the foundation time and again for their skip for the big count while J. Forrest was in good form.

Bradbury beat Shepherd by 12 shots and Coates was in good form. Bradbury himself played a good game. Shepherd was the best of the visitors rink and played a brilliant game.

CCC	PRC
A. H. Rumlahn	M. Saul
G. A. Souza	J. Weeks
A. M. Omar	P. Forrest
J. S. Landolt	W. Hillyer
(Skip)	(Skip)
34	7
A. A. Ruzick	D. Taylor
J. W. Leonard	T. P. Ross
A. E. Coates	A. Soutar
B. W. Bradbury	J. Shepherd
(Skip)	(Skip)
22	12
W. J. Howard	H. B. Brown
G. C. Jorge	F. Channing
K. M. Omar	J. Hayward
U. M. Omar	C. Gough
(Skip)	(Skip)
37	6
Total	93
Total	25

IRC—KDC

Visiting the Indian Recreation Club at Soekunpoo, Kowloon Dockes created a mild surprise and came away with four and half points when they beat the home team by five shots, the final score being 65-30.

A close game was seen between Brown and Ramsey which ended in a drawn game each side scoring 21 points.

Making his first appearance as a first division skip, A. Bicker beat A. R. Minu by one shot the final score being 21-20 while McMaster beat A. R. Minu by 24-19.

IRC	KDC
I. Ali	R. Lapsley
A. M. Wahab	W. Riley
K. M. Rumlahn	C. Logan
J. Hossen	J. Ramsey
(Skip)	(Skip)
21	21
U. A. Rumlahn	W. Davidson
A. J. Hussain	W. Gaffney
M. I. Hussain	R. Morrison
A. R. Minu	A. Bicker
(Skip)	(Skip)
20	21
S. O. Box	Martin
A. B. Kitchell	W. Marshall
M. B. Hnagan	A. Elliot
A. K. Minu	W. McMaster
(Skip)	(Skip)
19	23
Total	60
Total	65

Recreio "B"—KCC

Playing at home, Club de Recreo "B" lost to Kowloon Cricket Club in a First Division League by four shots, the final score being 64-40. The home team, however, won on one rink.

Recreio "B" KCC

H. R. Pinna	W. College
G. A. Noronha	A. J. Kek
A. P. Gutierrez	T. A. Madar
L. F. Xavier	C. S. Rosset
(Skip)	(Skip)
18	19
P. M. N. da Silva	A. E. P. Guest
F. X. Soares	J. N. Wong
J. C. Remedios	E. C. Fincher
C. F. Remedios	J. Orem
(Skip)	(Skip)
14	27
M. A. Bantista	C. Thompson
C. P. Bantista	W. Hong Sling
C. M. Silva	W. Butterworth
F. X. Silva	F. Goodwin
(Skip)	(Skip)
28	18
Total	60
Total	64

KBGC—Recreio "A"

Playing at home in the First Division Lawn Bowls League, Kowloon Bowling Green Club lost to Club de Recreo "A" by 12 shots, the final score being 55-43.

KBGC	Recreio "A"
E. A. Atkins	G. A. Gutierrez
G. E. F. Thompson	C. E. Marques
A. J. Hall	F. V. N. Ribeiro
L. Sykes	J. E. Noronha
(Skip)	(Skip)
20	15
J. G. Mover	B. P. F. Marques
L. A. Collyer	A. M. Souza
J. Fraser	R. F. Luz
J. McKelvie	J. A. Luz
(Skip)	(Skip)
8	22
F. A. Plume	A. P. Pereira
E. Greenwood	C. R. Pereira
A. G. Eastman	C. C. Pereira
W. C. Shapson	J. F. V. Ribeiro
(Skip)	(Skip)
15	18
Total	43
Total	55

SECOND DIVISION

HKFC—TDC

Hong Kong Football Club again won on all rinks yesterday, at Happy Valley when they beat Tai Koo Dock Club in the Second Division League match by 74-39.

The home team won on all rinks with Bickford scoring the biggest win of the day with a 20 shots victory over Chalmers's rink.

HKFC	TDC
L. Hamley	J. Rowan
A. McAlpine	W. McGill
T. Pile	R. B. Marshall
R. I. Bickford	J. C. Chalmers
(Skip)	(Skip)
31	11
J. S. Howell	R. MacLean
R. Strange	W. Dally
Dr. J. A. L. Selby	J. Haster
N. J. Bickington	J. Kinningburgh
(Skip)	(Skip)
18	14
G. Brown	A. Steven
L. Strange	J. A. Smith
C. Carr	J. A. Watson
M. N. Bakusen	W. McKie
(Skip)	(Skip)
25	14
Total	74
Total	39

Recreio—HKCC

Playing at home in the Second Division League Club de Recreo beat Hong Kong Cricket Club by 73-38 shots. The home team won on all rinks.

Recreio	HKCC
R. M. V. Ribeiro	A. Graham
B. Pintos	A. Erson
A. V. Gonzo	H. F. Shields
M. F. Noronha	W. Williamson
(Skip)	(Skip)
19	14
L. S. Silva	G. W. Sewell
J. P. Xavier	L. R. Wood
A. M. Aires	R. H. Wild
E. M. Alarcoun	A. E. Hawkins
(Skip)	(Skip)
23	14
A. M. Silva	F. Black
P. A. Costa	R. de Rome
N. A. Beltrao	E. J. R. Mitchell
A. A. Lopes	R. A. Edwards
(Skip)	(Skip)
28	10
Total	73
Total	38

FC—KCC

Filipino Club lost to the Kowloon Cricket Club in a Second Division League match at King's Park by 17 shots, the final score being 72-55. The home team managed to score a point through Field beating Tommy Lock.

Results At A Glance

FIRST DIVISION			
CCC	(5) 93	PRC	(0) 25
IRC	(1) 60	KCC	(4) 64
Reo. "B"	(1) 60	KCC	(4) 64
KBGC	(1) 43	Reo. "A"	(4) 55
SECOND DIVISION			
HKFC	(5) 74	TDC	(0) 39
Recreio	(5) 73	HKCC	(0) 38
FC	(1) 55	KCC	(4) 72
KBGC	(4) 67	CCC	(1) 56
THIRD DIVISION			
PRC	(0) 46	Recreio	(5) 64
KCC	(4) 76	KBGC	(1) 56
HKERC	(4) 62	POC	(1) 57
FRIENDLY			
KDC	(1) 60	IRC	(4) 72

League Tables

FIRST DIVISION					
	P	W	L	F	A
CCC	10	9	1	712	480
Reo. "A"	10	8	2	607	520
IRC	10	5	5	613	570
KBGC	10	4	6	501	678
KCC	10	3	7	490	556
KDC	10	3	7	521	690
PRC	10	2	8	461	601
Reo. "B"	10	2	8	450	603
SECOND DIVISION					
	P	W	L	F	A
Recreio	9	6	3	507	452
KCC	10	7	3	614	557
FC	9	6	3	519	512
HKFC	9	4	5	523	490
TDC	10	5	5	593	591
IRC	8	5	3	474	459
KBGC	9	3	6	494	503
CCC	9	3	6	502	571
HKCC	9	2	7	457	539
THIRD DIVISION					
	P	W	L	F	A
HKERC	9	6	3	539	403
KDC	7	5	2	415	308
KCC	9	2	6	551	558
POC	8	4	4	460	415
Recreio	7	4	3	437	398
KBGC	7	3	4	307	441
PRC	9	2	7	445	576
FRIENDLY					
	P	W	L	F	A
J. McLean	28	16	12	16	16
F. Howarth	28	16	12	16	16
G. L. Stapleton	28	16	12	16	16
W. H. Cowie	28	16	12	16	16
(Skip)	28	16	12	16	16
Total	75	46	29	60	60

THIRD DIVISION

PRC—Recreio

Visiting the Police at Happy Valley in the Third Division League, Club de Recreo lost the home team on all rinks and by 18 shots, the final score being 64-46.

PRC	Recreio
T. Pilkington	G. A. Pinna
H. B. Dewar	S. E. Souza
W. E. Hollands	D. C. Alves
(Skip)	(Skip)
14	15
J. Russell	R. A. Campos
J. Saunders	J. A. Victor
G. Willerton	G. Willerton
G. Davies	J. J. Banto
(Skip)	(Skip)
12	26
J. Robinson	J. C. Fonseca
I. Goodman	M. T. Nunes
R. M. McKenzie	J. J. Colton
C. Pone	L. A. Rosario
(Skip)	(Skip)
20	23
Total	46
Total	64

KCC—KBGC

In a Third Division League match played at Cox Path, Kowloon Cricket Club beat Kowloon Bowling Green Club by 75-56. The home team won on two rinks.

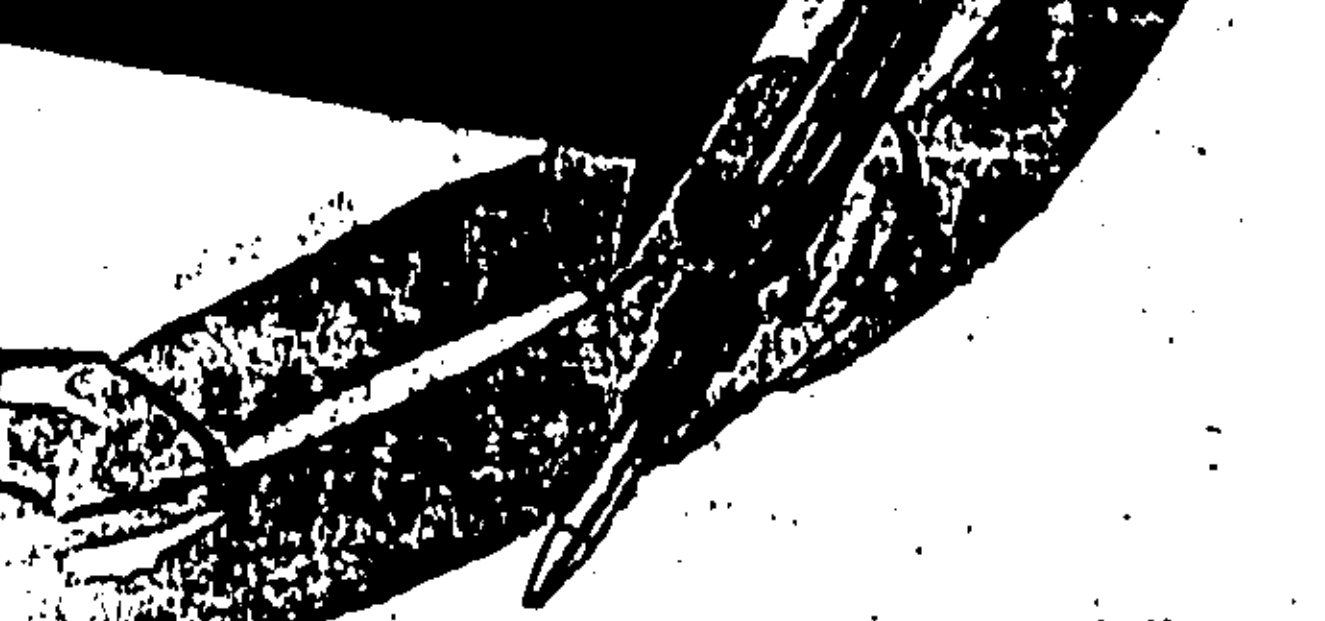
KCC	KBGC
J. Boyes	J. McKinlay
W. Nichols	A. P. Weir
K. Badie	T. P. Styles
C. Chumpleover	A. Bailey
(Skip)	(Skip)
24	26
G. Rosset	E. P. S. Baker
M. Baker	I. Urquhart
L. Brenny	R. Brown
T. E. Baker	J. Hemley
(Skip)	(Skip)
23	14
Total	75
Total	56

HKERC—POC

Hong Kong Electric beat Police Officers Club in the Third Division League at Ming Yuen by five shots the final score being 62-57. The home team managed to win on two rinks.

HKERC	POC
F. H. Fell	J. Jamieson
J. H. Bottomley	P. C. Le Tisser
G. A. Golding	M. Scott
G. Ryder	J. Grant
(Skip)	(Skip)
22	21
W. Stenhouse	R. Rowan
L. Gibson	C. Woodward
J. F. Lunny	A. W. Hircock
J. K. Sloan	J. McCutcheon
(Skip)	(Skip)
29	15
J. O. Stoker	A. G. Bond
W. Stoker	J. Caldwell
G. T. Padgett	G. McGrath
J. C. Butler	G. I. Shaw
(Skip)	(Skip)
11	21
Total	62
Total	57

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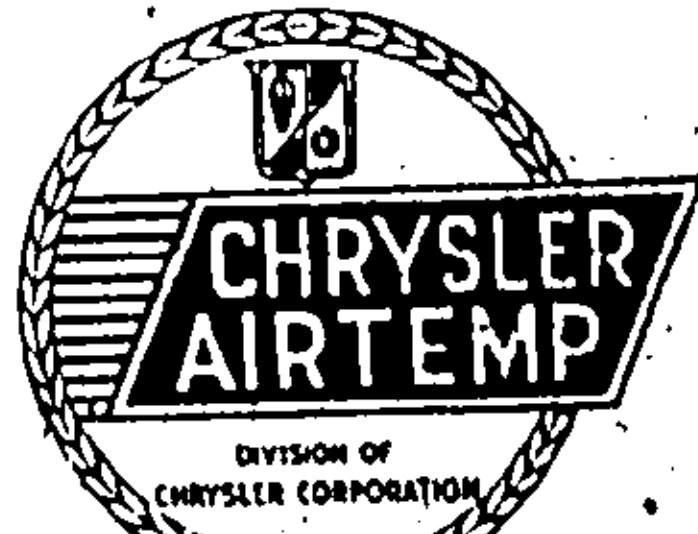


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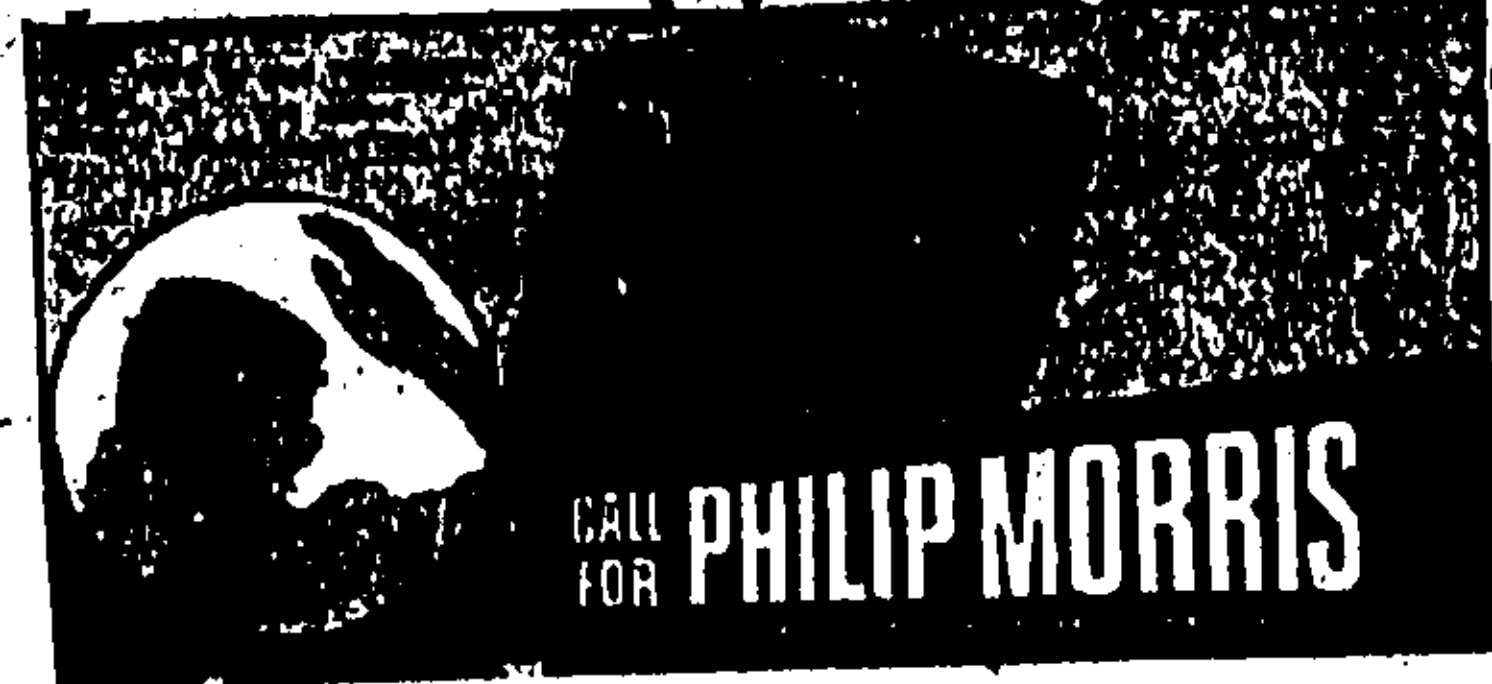
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Positions In County Cricket Table Unchanged

London, July 22.

With none of the first five Counties engaged in championship matches, the top three positions in the table remain unchanged after the series of cricket matches ended today. Worcestershire lead with 116 points, followed by Middlesex and Yorkshire, each with 104.

Warwickshire's win over Gloucestershire enabled them to advance to share fourth place with the champions, Glamorgan. Each have 100 points. Gloucestershire, although taking first innings points from their last match against Kent, remain anchored at the foot of the table. They now have 24 points from 15 matches, against the 40 points of Hampshire, just above them.

Two bowlers, Eric Hollies (Warwickshire) and Tom Goddard (Gloucestershire) took their hundredth wicket of the season in the match between the two counties.

Hollies bowled his slow leg breaks with great accuracy for an innings analysis of six for 78 and match figures of 11 for 180, confirming the form which gained him a place in the England XI for tomorrow's Test.

Batsmen Baffled

Earlier, Tom Goddard, off-spinner, had baffled the Warwickshire batsmen in taking eight wickets for 70. This is the 15th time he has taken 100 wickets in a season, and each year since 1920, in which County cricket has been played he has done so. In one spell of two overs today he obtained three wickets for a single run.

Like Hollies, Trevor Bailey, of Essex, gave a happy augury for the Test in knocking the bottom out of Nottinghamshire's second innings in their drawn match.

Notis, with four men out for 203, wanted only 87 for first innings lead when he went on to bowl with the new ball. He dismissed Reginald Simpson and C. Poole, participants in a stand-off 146 in 110 minutes, in successive overs for four runs. He finished with four for 41, while Roy Smith had the fine figures of six for 76.

Poole hit 11 fours in his 76, and Simpson got eight boundaries in his 70. Cray and Vigar took

Inter-Club Billiards Tournament

The Invitation Inter-club Billiards Tournament which is as reported in the "China Mail" of July 20, being organised by the Billiards Section of the Chinese National Amateur Athletic Federation, will be open to Chinese Clubs and Association only.

This was revealed yesterday by Mr. Lee Hin-tung, Chairman of a Committee comprising Messrs. Yip Kung-shin-wun and Ma Chun-man, which is in charge of the Tournament.

Mr. Lee told the "Sunday Herald" that on completion of this Invitation Inter-club Tournament for Chinese Clubs and Associations, an Inter-Club Tournament, which will be open to all Chinese and non-Chinese Clubs and Associations in the Colony, as well as members of the Royal Navy, Army and Royal Air Force will be organised.

USRC Tennis Teams

The following are the United Services Recreation Club tennis teams for the week ending July 24 (Tomorrow):

Mixed Doubles: "A" v HKC (Away)—Capt. Mackreth (Capt. & Mrs. Jones; K. Riddy & M. Williams; Capt. Nicholson & M. Bonnerd.

Monday, July 24.
Ladies: "A" v LRC (Home) Harcourt—Mrs. Christiansen (Home); Mrs. Wright; Mrs. Halk & Hancock (Capt); Mrs. Walton; Mrs. Lamont.

Reserve: Mrs. Henning & M. Rieburn.

Mens: "B" v RAF (Home) Grass Court—P. Pearce & Dinnon (Capt); F. A. Fisher & Riddy; Capt. Dowdell-Brown; Major Goldschmidt.

Reserve: G. Cannon.

(Wednesday, July 27.)
Mens: "A" v Club de Recre (Home)—Capt. Mackreth & E. Hancock (Capt); Capt. Nicholson & L. Gemmell; J. Anderson & Lindeman.

Reserve: A. Wright.

Ladies: "A" v LRC (Home) Mrs. Williams & Mrs. Jones (Capt); Mrs. Easterbrook & M. Bonnerd; Mrs. A. Halls & M. Parker.

Mens: "B" v CC (Away)—(Away)—F. A. Fisher (Capt); Mrs. Fisher & A. Dinnon (Capt); Mrs. Pearce & K. Riddy (Capt); Mrs. Wright & M. Bonnerd (Capt); Mrs. Halk & Hancock (Capt); Mrs. Walton & Mrs. Lamont.

Mixed Doubles: "B" v HKC (Away)—F. A. Fisher (Capt); Mrs. Fisher & A. Dinnon (Capt); Mrs. Pearce & K. Riddy (Capt); Mrs. Wright & M. Bonnerd (Capt); Mrs. Halk & Hancock (Capt); Mrs. Walton & Mrs. Lamont.

NEW ZEALAND OFF TO POOR START IN THIRD TEST AGAINST ENGLAND

Manchester, July 23.

England won the toss and put New Zealand in to bat in the third Test, which began at Old Trafford today, and by lunch time, the tourists had scored 83 runs for the loss of 4 wickets.

Brian Close, 18 year old Yorkshire all-rounder, became the youngest player to represent England in Test cricket, when he was included in the team.

Close, who within a matter of weeks, jumped through village, club, league and county cricket to become an England player, was retained in preference to Laker, when England's team was announced half an hour before the start.

Close, who is awaiting his call up to the army, will be watched by his mother and father.

Freddie Brown, an aggressive attacking captain, brought the first batch of adventure to the game by sending New Zealand in to bat after winning the toss.

After a drizzling of nearly 40 hours of rain, the pitch was still damp.

England's team showed five changes from the second Test, and New Zealand made one alteration. Jack Reid, 21-year-old, youngest member of the side, replacing Brian Smith.

The teams were: England—L. Hutton, C. Washbrook, W. Edrich, D. Gooch, R. Simpson, F. Bailey, B. Close, F. Brown, F. G. Evans, W. E. Hollies, and E. Jackson. Twelfth man was Sydney Smith of the Lancashire ground staff.

New Zealand—B. Sutcliffe, V. Scott, W. Hadlee, W. Waller, M. Donnelly, J. Reid, G. Rabone, J. Mooney, T. Burt, H. Cave and J. Cowie.

The weather was fine and there were prospects of a "full house" crowd of 30,000.

Disastrous Start

Twenty-five thousand people saw New Zealand make a disastrous start, losing their opening pair, Sutcliffe and Scott, to fast bowler Bailey for 23 runs in less than half an hour.

Both batsmen were uncomfortable against Bailey who got great pace off the pitch, and at 22 he bent Sutcliffe with a good length delivery, which kept the leg stump out of the ground. Hadlee took a single off the first ball of Bailey's next over, after which another extra fast ball shot through and sent Scott's off stump catapulting out of the ground. At this point, Bailey had taken two wickets for 14 runs in 24 balls—successes which put the fieldsmen right on their toes.

New Zealand were certainly on the defensive, and though Hadlee and Wallace offered assistance, the scoring rate was slow, 30 minutes being taken over the first 54 runs.

Hadlee had told his team that he was quite happy about being put in as he thought the pitch would be fast paced. Whether this was meant to instill confidence into his men or whether he really thought the pitch would favour the batsman, he was soon given the chance to prove his words.

Hadlee himself withstood Bailey's pace well and he found a determined partner in his vice-captain, Wallace.

Brown, frequently applauded for his good holding and smart throwing, made his first bowling change at 30, Close replacing Jackson. He opened with a maiden after rapping Wallace on the pads three times.

Jackson was soon back, relieving the other end, Bailey, who showed signs of firing, Close had only three overs, in which he conceded two singles before Hollies was introduced with his leg breaks and googlies.

Neither bowling change caused much worry to fast, imperturbable Hadlee, who jumped down the pitch and drove each in turn to the long-on boundary.

One of the quickst footed batsmen in cricket, Hadlee reached to the pitch of the ball to straight drive Hollies for another four and seemed determined not to allow the Warwickshire bowler to settle down into his customary immaculate length.

His First Wicket

Brown, desperately keen to break the third wicket stand between Hadlee and Wallace could see New Zealand through the most dangerous period of the day, made a rapid series of bowling changes. This brought the desired effect when at 62, young Close took his first wicket in Test cricket.

Nothing seemed further away when Close sent down a full toss on the leg stump with the eighth delivery of his second spell, but Wallace hit under it and lifted a catch to deep square leg, where

TODAY'S SOFTBALL GAME

An exciting softball game is expected at Happy Valley at 10 a.m. today, when a team from the United States seaplane tender Lloyd's Bay meet a strong El Cumbanchero combination.

The USS Lloyd's Bay will be holding their strongest line-up for the game and are expected to go all out to avenge the heavy 5-1 defeat which they suffered at the hands of the El Cumbanchero last a fortnight ago.

Washbrook ran in to take the ball mid-high with both hands.

Close had then conceded a total of only three runs.

With 17 minutes left before lunch, Brown called upon Bailey for another burst of speed and in the last over before the interval, the Essex bowler clean bowled Hadlee and four men were out for 82.

Feld joined Donnelly to add one more run before the break. Bailey's three wickets in 11 overs cost 27 runs.

Scores: New Zealand, 1st innings: Sutcliffe, b. Bailey, 9; Scott, b. Bailey, 13; Hutton, b. Bailey, 34; Bailey, b. Bailey, 34; Wallace, c. Washbrook, b. Close, 12; Donnelly, not out, 6; J. Reid, not out, 1; Extras, 8.

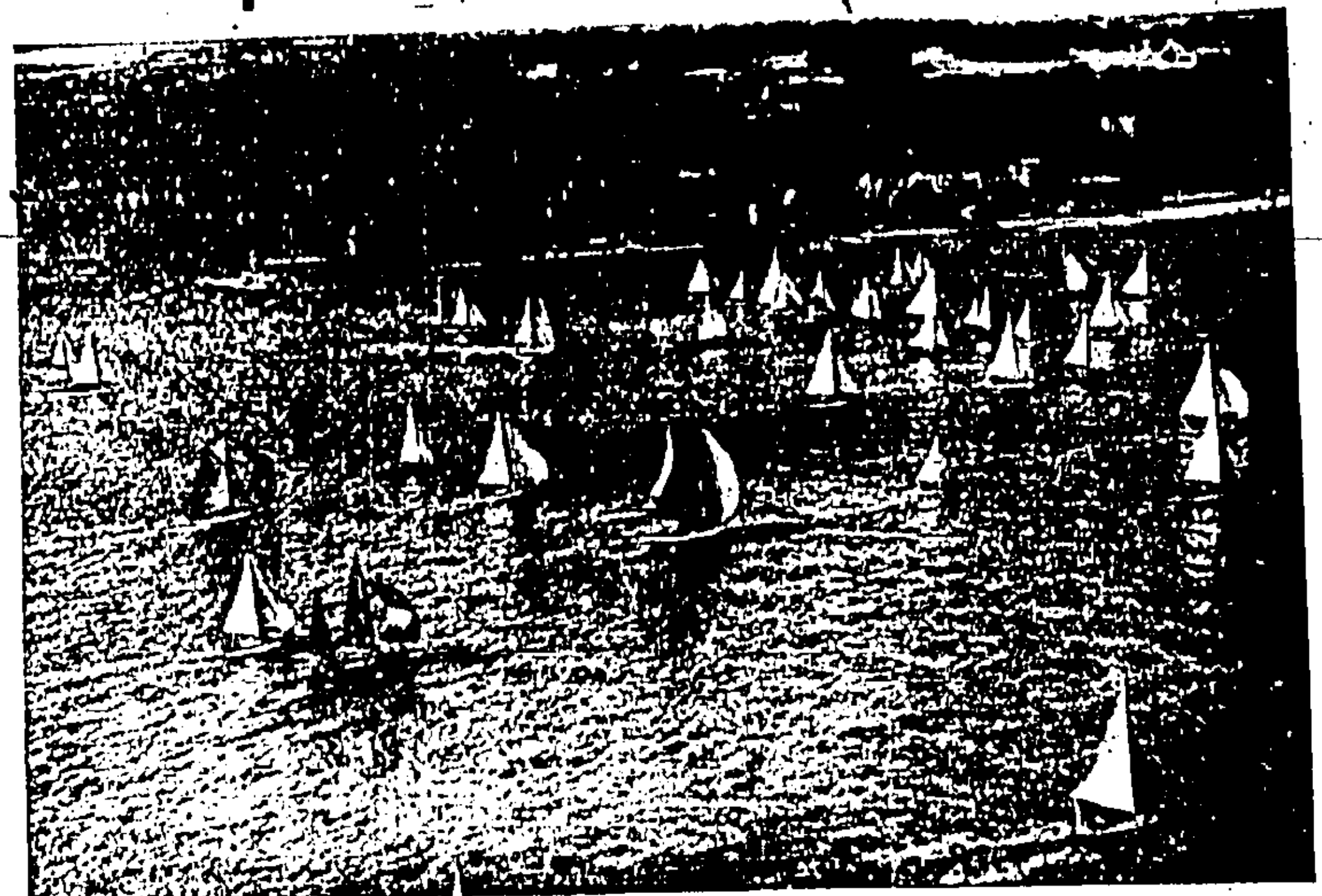
Total (for four) 83.

N. Y. GIANTS BEAT CUBS 6-5

New York, June 22. Left fielder Hank Sawyer, never with one on board in the seventh game of the Chicago Cubs' 6-5 victory over the New York Giants in the National League today, it was Sawyer's 19th homer of the year.

Scores: NATIONAL LEAGUE: Chicago, 6; New York, 5. Associated Press.

Spinnakers Filled



A stiff following breeze fills the spinnaker sails of some of the 103 craft of the 5 to 25 ton yachts as they scud along before the wind off Cowes, Isle of Wight. They were taking part in the race round the island organised by the Isle of Wight Sailing Club. (AP photo).

Only Youth Will Make The Grade "Down Under"

(By GEORGE TRIBE)

The type of player most suitable to Australian conditions need not be the most successful in English county cricket.

There is a wide difference between climatic conditions in the two countries, as you can well imagine. In Australia the air is drier, grounds harder and the wickets yards faster than in England.

Batsmen who are young, quick-footed, with plenty of scoring strokes and not afraid to play to the pitch of the ball, are the most likely to adapt themselves quickly.

Fielding is another important factor. No team playing under Australian conditions can afford to carry more than one weak fieldsmen.

Bowlers, too, should be young, strong, have a good body action and follow through to get that little extra life and spin out of the true, hard Australian wickets.

Slow bowlers have to toss the ball higher and spin with wrist and fingers to make it turn.

Finger-Spin Bowlers Are Few

Finger-spin bowlers are few in first-class cricket in Australia, and no doubt you will have noticed that not many slow spin men have been successful with an English touring team.

U.S. AQUATIC STARS AWAIT WORD ABOUT FLIGHT

San Francisco, July 22. Suzanne Zimmerman, U.S. backstroke champion, and eight other aquatic stars, awaited word today about their flight to Manila for a series of exhibitions.

Final transportation arrangements had not been received for the party, scheduled to leave on Saturday by Philippine Airlines.

Miss Zimmerman, from Lakeview, Oregon, holds many American backstroke records and currently is the outdoor champion over 100 and 200 yards. She was runner-up in the Olympics last year.

Others in the party include Al White who won the Olympic diving title in 1924, Mora Stone of Oakland who holds Missouri and Florida diving titles, four ballet girls and two comedy divers.

The exhibitions are to be sponsored by the Catholic Youth Organisation of Manila, with Lou Bittner of Oakland in an advisory capacity. Bittner is owner of the Oakland Bittners basketball team which played many exhibitions in the islands last year.—Associated Press.

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Charlie Ward Wins 2,000 Guineas Golf Tournament

Harrogate, Yorkshire, July 22. Charlie Ward, one of the smallest men in British professional golf, but who has already established himself as an international player of repute, won the North British 2,000 Guineas professional golf tournament on the Pinnal course here today with a 72 holes aggregate of 281.

Ward, who is among the men from whom Britain's Ryder Cup team will be chosen for the next week or two, won by two strokes from Fred Daly, of Ireland, Ken Bousfield, one of Britain's most promising youngsters, and A. Cerda, of the Argentine, all of whom finished with 283.

Bobbie Locke, South Africa's holder of the British Open, was on the 285 mark and had to be content with a share of seventh place.

Other Overseas' men finished lower in the list. Flory Van Donck, Belgium, with 288, P. Viola, Uruguay, 293 and A. Casera, Italy, 298.

Played Magnificent Golf

Ward took a first prize of £500 and played magnificent golf throughout today for rounds of 68 and 69 to supplement his two 72's of the earlier rounds.

Locke with 68 this morning put himself in the chase after being seven strokes behind yesterday, but failed to make ground in the final round.

The only other players to beat 70 in the final round were Daly 70 and Dal Rees 69, efforts which raised them to elevated positions among the prize winners.

The leading scores were: 281 Charlie Ward; 283 Ken Bousfield, A. Cerda and Fred Daly; 284 Jack Busson and Dal Rees; 285 George Johnson, Frank Jowle and Bobbie Locke; 286 Reg Horne; 287 Jack Hardgrave; 288 Flory Van Donck, A. Murray and Max Faulkner; 289 James Adams.—Reuter.

FRIENDLY MATCH

In a friendly game at Hung-ho, Kowloon, Docks lost to Indian Recreation Club by 12 shots, the final score being 72-60.

K.C.C. J. Chambers, A.H. Abbas, I. Kitchell, A.R.A. Rahman, A. Campbell, A.M. Rumjahn, A. Melnes, (Skip) 13 (Skip) 22

W. Allan, A.M. Kadar, S.S. Hussain, A. McKay, S.M. Rumjahn, B. Parks, A.R. Razack, (Skip) 19 (Skip) 29

W. Bayne, E.R. Marker, C.F. Collins, O.R. Sadick, G. Hutchinson, M.A. Wahab, W. Conway, M.Y. Adal, (Skip) 20 (Skip) 21

Total 60 Total 72

AMERICA WINS BRITISH-AMERICA CUP RACE

London, July 22. America today won the British-America Cup Race for six metres yachts when they won the sixth race of the series off the Isle of Wight by 20-1/4 points to 18 and on the aggregate of the six races, totalled 113 points to 102-1/2.

They thus won the trophy as this was their fourth consecutive win in the races and they have not lost a match in the series since 1934.

Britain had won the first two races this year.—Reuter.

Waiting To Hear That Deposit Has Been Paid

New York, July 22. Mr. Thomas J. "Babe" Culnan, a fighter-promoter from Newark (New Jersey) said today that he had "just about completed" arrangements to buy the contract of Freddie Mills, Britain's world light heavyweight champion, from Mr. Ted Broadbrib, Mills' British manager.

Mr. Culnan said that he was prepared to pay Mr. Broadbrib \$50,000 for Mills' contract, and added that he already had plans on foot for a bout between Mills and the United States light heavyweight champion, Joe Maxim.

Mr. Culnan declared that he had talked to Mr. Broadbrib this morning on the trans-Atlantic telephone, and said that arrangements would probably be completed next month when he went to England.

Patient for the contract would be made in United States dollars.

Mr. Culnan, who added that he and Mr. Broadbrib had been friends for more than 10 years, has handled dozens of fighters in the United States, including Mike Walker, former world middleweight and welter weight champion.

In more recent years he was concentrated almost entirely on promoting.

Meanwhile in London, Mr. Broadbrib said that he will fly to the United States to complete the sale of his contract with Mills to Mr. Culnan as soon as he has been paid a deposit.

"I am waiting to hear that a deposit of from \$5,000 to \$10,000 has been put in my account in America, then I shall be across the Atlantic in the first available plane to close the deal," Mr. Broadbrib said.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIA LEADS CANADA IN DAVIS CUP TIE

Montreal, July 22. Australia today won the doubles match to lead by two matches to one in their Davis Cup American Zone tie against Canada here.

John Bromwich and Frank Sedgman beat Brendan Maclean and Walter Stohlberg by 6-3, 6-3 and 6-2.

Each country won one of yesterday's opening singles.—Reuter.



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